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AEK to follow Partizan

A visit by AEK Athens, the club of Mimis Domazos, will follow Partizan Belgrade's tour which starts in Melbourne on Sunday.

The outlay on AEK's tour will be \$120,000 for fares, match fees and other expenses — \$10,000 more than the cost of Olympiakos' tour late last year.

AEK is the champion of Greece. It finished level on points with Olympiakos but Olympiakos refused to play a deciding match in protest against the refereeing of its game against Orfi, which ended in a 3-3 draw.

It is AEK's second successive league title. The club won the Cup as well last year.

Domazos and his men will play three games in Australia. They are:

Sunday, August 12:
Australian XI in Sydney.

Wednesday, August 15:
v South Australia in Adelaide.

Sunday, August 19: v
Victoria in Melbourne.

Mr Arch Tambakis, of the Adelaide-based company handling promotion of the tour, said this week he would approach major companies about sponsorship deals.

AEK's strongest line-up is:

Tergloulas, Mousouris, Ravousis, Nicolaou, Ardizoglou — Nikoloudis, Domazos, Tsamis — Mavros, Bajovic, Tasos. This is the team that lost 1-3 to Panionios in the 1979 Greek Cup final.

By LAURIE SCHWAB



Mavros

Other notable AEK players are goalkeeper Christidis and Intzoglou.

Christidis and centre back Ravousis were in the Greek national team that played three games against Australia last year.

The great Domazos played for Greece in its 1-3 loss to Australia in Athens in 1970 and toured as a guest with Atromitos in 1976.

At 38, he is the all-time great of Greek soccer. Until 1977 he played in 49 internationals. Only club mate Mimis Papadopoulos played more often for Greece (61).



Domazos

Papadopoulos is due to join Victorian First Division club Western Suburbs.

Domazos spent 19 years with Panathinaikos before transferring to AEK for the 1979 season for the bargain price of about \$50,000.

During his long career he

has played under some of the world's greatest coaches, including Bela Guttmann (Hungary), Stefan Bobek (Yugoslavia), Ferenc Puskas (Hungary) and Kaz Gorski (Poland).

AEK's central striker is the great Dusan Bajevic who played for Yugoslavia in the 1974 World Cup finals. He is often described as the finest player in Greece.

Utility man Chris Ardizoglou is another outstanding player in the AEK team but the man of the moment is striker Thomas Mavros.

He was to scorer of the Greek championship with 31 goals, and is also the most consistent scorer in the national team.

AEK has won the Greek Cup seven times



New Zealand's Adrian Elrick (left) gets the ball ahead of Australia's Mark Jankovic during the international at Newmarket Park, Auckland, last Wednesday. Tom Anderson's report on Australia's 0-1 loss is on page 5.

And APIA's off to Italy

APIA-Leichhardt will play at least three matches in Italy in December.

As Roma, Napoli and Fiorentina have confirmed, they will play against APIA.

Catanzaro may also meet the tourists.

APIA director Frank Avati has arranged the tour through an agent in Italy.

APIA will leave probably on December 1 and the first match has been set tentatively for December 4.

A party of 20, including at least 15 players, will make the tour.

APIA's Italian supporters will pay enough at least to

meet the Australians' costs.

APIA coach Ray Richards said this week: "All we are waiting on is confirmation of our departure date and the availability of any APIA players who may be required for the national squad."

"However, the Australians should have completed their 1979 programme by the time of the tour."

Richards said, according to APIA's Italian star Rosario Rampanti, the crowd in Naples will be as high as 40,000.

"Rampanti is confident that we can perform creditably on the tour," Richards said.

"Italian football is played at a comparatively leisurely pace and I think we'll be able to handle it."

"There should be a high level of interest in the

tour, as many of the fans over there will remember the Australians for their good performances in the 1974 World Cup."

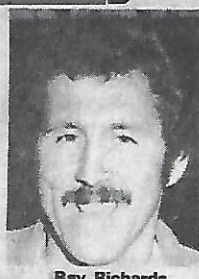
Richards said there was no chance he would make a "guest appearance" for APIA during the tour.

"I might come on just to take a couple of throw-ins," he joked.

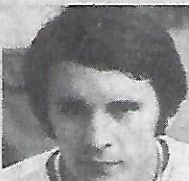
Richards was renowned during his international career for his powerful throw.

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Ray Richards

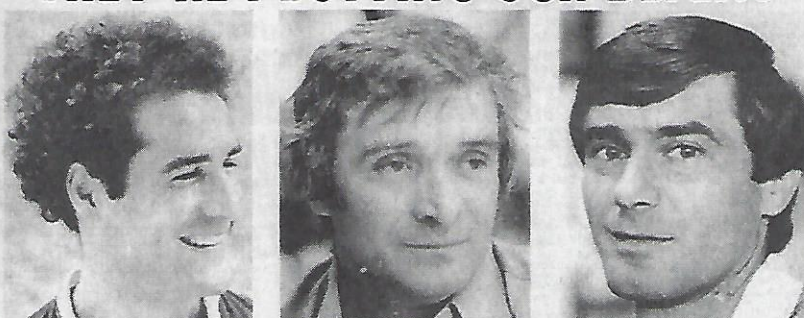


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Ardizoglou

THEY'RE PLOTTING OUR DEFEAT



These three men pose the greatest danger to Australia, Victoria and South Australia — Partizan's three opponents during the Yugoslavs' Australian tour which starts with a match against Victoria at Olympic Park, on Sunday. They are, from left: Partizan captain Nenad Stojkovic, coach Soskic who kept goal for Yugoslavia in the 1962 World Cup finals, and striker Slobodan Santrac. More on pages 8 & 9.

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Poulakakis: hecklers caused Cole slump

Heckling from disgruntled supporters has caused the dramatic slump in the form of Socceroo striker Gary Cole, according to new Heidelberg Utd. coach Manny Poulakakis.

Poulakakis said Cole had suffered at the hands of a bolsterous section of Heidelberg's support, and his game has been affected by the group's "stirring."

"I've told Gary to relax and ignore the crowd because it will ruin his career if he doesn't," said Manny, "but he made the mistake of getting involved and answering back."

"Now when he plays in Melbourne he has this in the back of his mind. He's often more worried about making mistakes than concentrating on the match. If things don't go right for Cole and the crowds get on his back, he'll stop

giving 100% to get back at the crowd."

Poulakakis said he's talked at length with Cole, but the big blond forward doesn't agree he's worrying about the crowd.

"I can see it is worrying him," said Manny. "I tell all my players it's not the spectators who play the game, and that the crowd should be ignored."

"However, if a player gives 100% in every game, the supporters will get behind him. Only fools don't appreciate a player who's giving his all."

Poulakakis said proof of Cole's problem came to light in Brisbane in a recent league match against Lions.



Gary Cole rejoices after scoring

By
KYLE
PATTERSON



Manny Poulakakis.

"Gary was much sharper in that game," said Manny, "and played reasonably well. But the following game against Sydney City in Melbourne he was influenced by the crowd. Eventually he was substituted."

To help Cole kick out of his form slump, Poulakakis said he may give the striker "a little rest," and allow time for his confidence to be built up again.

Poulakakis' comments on Cole give a good insight to his attitude to coaching. He believes the psychological side of soccer is important and so he concentrates on working on the mental preparation of the players.

His first move was to alter the training schedule from three to two nights.

"These players have had a hard pre-season training programme," he said, "and their fitness is not in question. Training only two nights will freshen the players up mentally and they will be eager to play."

"We will achieve just as much in two nights of training because the players will look forward to training. Training three or four nights a week is too much for part-time players."

With Jim Tansey, Poulakakis went one step further and gave the State team defender a week off training.

"Tansey is stale at present,"

said Manny. "He's been training three nights with Heidelberg and also training and playing with the Victorian team. I know he can perform better than he is and he'll be refreshed by the break."

The second step in Manny's plan to improve the players' mental preparation was to talk to each player about their role in the squad.

"I wanted to see which players were comfortable in what positions," he said.

"Each player should be given a task he is good at," said Poulakakis. "They will perform well in their roles and their confidence will improve."

Poulakakis believes Heidelberg has the talent to mount a serious challenge for the championship but is critical of the bonus points system which has given Marconi a sizeable lead at the top of the table.

"The system is unfair," said Manny. "The other teams pay the penalty if one team plays badly. In many cases, a 5-0 result comes because of the losing team's bad form, not the winner's good form."

As a result, the system favours teams lucky enough to meet a team which has an off day. It doesn't encourage consistency, which is the quality that normally wins league championships."

However, Manny admitted Heidelberg's chances of closing the gap on the leading teams would be decided on the team's ability to pick up bonus points.

On the top if goalkeeping, Poulakakis defended his selection of leaving State striker Jamie Paton on the bench for his early games with the club.

"Paton scored two goals when he came into the game as a substitute because I used him as a 'shock' weapon," said Manny.

"Defenders are quick at spotting the strengths and weaknesses of forwards. With Branko Buljevic and Cole, the defenders know them well, but Paton is new to them, and when he comes into the game as a fresh player, he creates a lot of problems."

It's likely that Paton will become a member of the opening eleven in the future.

The temporary displacement of Cole is only one move hinted at by Poulakakis. Don't be surprised if Pat Bannion moves into the centre of the defence.

"The combination of Jim Zenden and Bob Provan lacks something," said Manny. "Central defenders should work closely, covering each other and talking all the time, but these qualities aren't evident."



Jamie Paton (left) streaks past Sydney City's Mark Trenter.

47 games, 41 goals

Jamie Paton, the Heidelberg striker bought recently from Slavia, scored 41 goals in the 47 games he played in Australia up to last weekend.

Paton, who switched to Heidelberg along with sweeper John Zenden in a \$20,000 deal, played for Scottish Second Division club Queen's Park.

If he maintains the form he showed in the State League, he will become one of the most prolific scorers in the PSL.

His longest run without a goal in Australia has been five games. All his goals are listed here:

1978	February
AMPSL CUP	v. Ringwood City 2-1. Scored one goal.
March	v. Sunshine 3-5. Did not score.
DOCKERTY CUP	v. Western Suburbs 1-4. Nil.
April	STATE LEAGUE
	v. Juventus 1-1. Nil.
	v. GG-Ajax 1-1. One goal.
	v. George Cross 1-2. One goal (pen).
May	v. Hakoh 1-1. Nil.
	v. Croatia 0-4. Nil.
PHILIPS CUP	v. Heidelberg Utd. 3-6. One goal.
June	STATE LEAGUE
	v. Albion 2-0. One goal.
	v. Sunshine 1-1. One goal.
	v. Ringwood City 1-2. Nil.
	v. Albion R. 4-1. One goal.
July	v. Frankfurt 1-0. Nil.
	v. Juventus 2-1. One goal.
	v. Ringwood City 2-0. Two goals.
August	v. GG-Ajax 2-2. Two goals.
	v. George Cross 2-3. Nil.
September	v. Macedonia 3-1. Three goals.
	v. Croatia 2-1. Two goals (one pen).
	v. Albion 1-0. One goal.
October	v. Albion R. 1-1. Nil.
	v. Sunshine 1-2. One goal (pen).
	v. Frankfurt 0-0. Nil.
November	AMPSL CUP
	v. Frankfurt 1-0. Nil.
	STATE GAME
	v. Walsley Krakow 0-1. Nil.
	AMPSL CUP
	v. Croatia 0-2. Nil.
December	v. George Cross 1-2. Nil.
	v. Albion R. 5-1. Three goals.
	v. GG-Ajax 1-0. One goal.
	v. Croynod 1-1. Three goals.
	DOCKERTY CUP
	v. Kellor City 2-1. One goal (pen).
	AMPSL CUP
	v. GG-Ajax 1-1 (lost 3-5 on pen). One goal.
	DOCKERTY CUP
	v. George Cross 3-1. One goal.
1979	January
	AMPSL CUP
	v. Frankfurt 1-0. Nil.
	STATE GAME
	v. Walsley Krakow 0-1. Nil.
	AMPSL CUP
	v. Croatia 0-2. Nil.
February	v. George Cross 1-2. Nil.
	v. Albion R. 5-1. Three goals.
	v. GG-Ajax 1-0. One goal.
	v. Croynod 1-1. Three goals.
	DOCKERTY CUP
	v. Kellor City 2-1. One goal (pen).
	AMPSL CUP
	v. GG-Ajax 1-1 (lost 3-5 on pen). One goal.
	DOCKERTY CUP
	v. George Cross 3-1. One goal.
March	v. Polonia 5-0. Four goals (incl one pen).
	STATE LEAGUE
	v. Croynod 0-0. Nil.
	v. Hakoh 2-0. Two goals.
	v. Albion 2-3. One goal (pen).
	v. Juventus 4-0. One goal.
April	STATE GAME
	v. Norwich City 2-4. Nil.
	PHILIPS CUP
	for Heidelberg
	v. Footscray 0-2. Nil.
	PHILIPS LEAGUE
	v. Juventus Lions 3-1. One goal.
	v. Sydney City 2-2. One goal.

McLACHLAN: SO LITTLE TIME

The combination of a Scotsman with a group of Yugoslavs, many of whom can't speak English, may seem an unlikely one.

However, this formula could well put an end to the troubles of success-starved Footscray JUST.

The Scotsman in question is Bobby McLachlan, who has the task of transforming a bunch of skilful ball players into a fighting, winning combination.

This is far from a minor task, but Bobby faces an additional problem as Jovicic, Lulic, Ristic, Hazabent, Jovanovic, Todorovic and Vasic, have yet to master English.

However the problem, said Bobby, is not too difficult to overcome.

"Soccer coaching involves many gestures and facial expressions which can get a clear message through to the players," he said. "In this international game, some gestures would be interpreted anywhere in the world."

"If I want to get a special message to one of the players who can't understand me, I have Milenko Ruzmir and Mando Ristovski to act as interpreters."

Language should not affect McLachlan's ability as a motivator. His reputation as a motivator and disciplinarian were probably the qualities which won him the post at Footscray.

McLachlan agrees this is his main task.

"It's my job to motivate individuals so they will give maximum effort on the field," he said. "I



Bobby McLachlan and three of the Australian Schoolboys players he coached on their 1978 tour of North America. From left: Charlie Yankos, Tom O'Halloran, McLachlan, Eddie Krncevic.

must extract this effort from the players so that their ability will be used to the fullest extent.

With the players at Footscray there is no doubt about talent. There are plenty of exceptional individuals, and only confidence is lacking.

"By making these players put in the effort, and giving them confidence, they will start playing the way everyone knows they can."

McLachlan said many friends had warned him against taking the position, saying the Footscray players didn't have any fight, and would throw in the towel.

Fighting spirit is not normally associated with Footscray, but after our display against APJA in my first match as coach, all doubts have been dispelled," said Bobby proudly.

McLachlan added the newfound spirit has been evident at training.

"I want to develop team spirit at training," said Bobby. "Training is hard, but enjoyable. The players are moulding together and working hard as a unit."

The most pleasing thing is the way I've been accepted. Being ac-

cepted is the first and major hurdle for a coach.

McLachlan said he was also extremely happy with his relationship with the administration.

"The committee has done everything to make me feel at home," said Bobby.

However, McLachlan does have regrets about the timing of his appointment as coach of Footscray.

"It's heart breaking to try to build something with so little time. I wish I had been appointed at the start of the season so I could have planned for the season instead of one week at a time."

"The pre-season is the time

to experiment with players, not during a championship, but that's what I'm forced to do. I've got to take risks that will be costly if they don't come off."

McLachlan said his first experiment was to move Peter Orlerton to defensive midfield.

"The way it turned out," he said, "I couldn't have been shrewder. Peter was great against Adja."

Another time restriction on McLachlan is the transfer deadline.

"The club has said I can go out and buy players, but there are few players available who are better than those we've already got. I'd like to sign a couple of players, but only if they fit into our style. With so little time, it will be hard to find these players."

Asked to make a prediction on Footscray's immediate future, McLachlan said: "All I can say is that we're shaping to become a better team. The discipline is good, and the players want to work. The other ingredient — skill — has always been at Footscray. If I can give the players confidence to use their skills, the team must improve."

— KYLE PATTERSON



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I'm playing as well as ever. At least they should give me a chance.

Buljevic: a giant out in the cold

By KYLE PATTERSON

Branko Buljevic is possibly the best forward in Australia, but he will not play again in the national team and is unlikely to represent Victoria.

Buljevic is as fit and as fast as ever and is playing with the same brilliance that made him a Socceroo regular, but these things don't matter anymore.

Even if Branko lets it be known he'd love to play for Australia again, the situation will not change.

Buljevic, 31, has been given soccer's kiss of death — he's "too old".

The Heidelberg Utd. striker's illustrious representative career was dealt the final blow a few months ago when national supremo Rudi Gutendorf said Branko was too old to figure in the future plans of the Socceroos.

Buljevic accepted the verdict without a murmur because he's been through it all before. He'd had a fair run, so he couldn't complain.

But this week he was puzzled by the appearance of Col Curran, 32, and Peter Wilson, 30, in the Australian team which went down to New Zealand 1-0 in Auckland.

The disappointed and disillusioned Buljevic had to console

himself with the knowledge that he was best player in the match between Heidelberg Utd. and Sydney City.

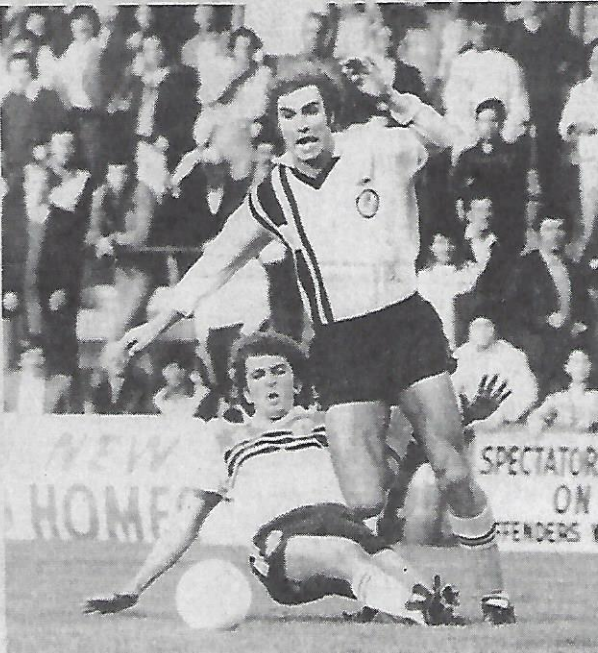
"Naturally I'm disappointed," said Branko "because I'm playing just as well as I always have. I'm not saying I should be automatically in the team, but at least I should be given a chance."

"Age was never a problem for national team players in Australia until I was overlooked a couple of years ago. Then all of a sudden age made all the difference."

"I can't explain why I was not given a chance. It's hard to understand, and very disappointing."

"Age means nothing to me at present. I'm running more than ever and enjoying my soccer. I have no injury problems and so I'm frustrated when people look at my age and consider me old."

Buljevic's disappointments with national selection have mounted



slowly but surely since 1975.

After reaching the pinnacle for soccer players by representing his country in the World Cup West Germany, 1974, Buljevic returned to Australia and has been on the outer almost ever since.

In any other country he'd be a national hero.

After the World Cup, Buljevic's last game for the Socceroos was against Benfica of Portugal in Sydney, 1975.

To show his greatness, Branko scored both Australia's goals in a 2-2 draw.

Later that year, a Russian XI toured Australia and Buljevic was included in the national team squad.

But he withdrew due to personal reasons, a decision which spelled the end of his representative career.

Buljevic continued to rank in the upper class of Australia's strikers, but for reasons best known to the selectors, he was ignored.

The seasons passed until 1977 when Jimmy Shoulder prepared the Socceroos for their ill-fated attempt to win a place in the World Cup finals in Argentina.

Shoulder's team cried out for a striker with class; Buljevic was the man to fill the void.

But he was ignored by Shoulder, who recalled Adrian Alston, then 30, and used Atti Abonyi, then 31, to the Australian team.

Buljevic, at 29, was still thrown lines about his age holding him back.

"Atti and Adrian are both friends of mine," said Branko, "and I hold nothing against them. I would have loved to get back in the team in 1977."

I like challenges and making a comeback to the Australian team would have been a big challenge. Even now I don't like to let young players get around me. It's one of those things about my attitude to soccer. You must love the game and be dedicated in all areas."

Gutendorf's stamping of Buljevic as an "old" player came after the striker's brilliant display for a Yugoslav XI in Sydney against an Australian XI. The Yugoslavs won 4-2 and Branko was the star of the match.

I played my best game for the year in that match," he said. "Everyone wanted to prove something because Rudi Gutendorf was coaching the Australians."

Gutendorf praised Buljevic, but said he couldn't use him once he learned his age.

The disappointment of the New Zealand affair is nothing new to Buljevic.

More food for thought for those who claim age is a barrier is the 1974 Australian World Cup squad. The squad included John Watkins, 33, Johnny Warren, 32, Manfred Chaefer, 31, Jack Reilly, 31, Jimmy McKay, 30, and Ray Richards, 31.

These "old timers" didn't do a bad job getting Australia to the World Cup finals.

But still, a large slice has been taken out of Buljevic's footballing world. His talents will be confined to the Phillips League, when

perhaps he's capable of producing more.

However, his love for the game hasn't been affected by his four-year absence from the Socceroos.

"Just playing soccer brings so much enjoyment," he said. "Missing out on the Australian team is disappointing, but my love for the game is still the same."

However, Branko is not about to remain quiet on his "ban" from Socceroo teams.

"I'm sure there were some behind-the-scenes politics involved in me being overlooked for the national team," said Branko. "On top of that, I got the feeling the authorities preferred Australian-born players to a naturalised Australian."

"I couldn't understand why Australia brought from England coaches to fill our top positions. Why couldn't we have local coaches instead of Green, Shouder, Worthington and McKinnon?"

Australia has not had much success since Rale Rasic left."

And on a State level, Branko disagrees with the current format of the Victorian team.

"Teams should be selected on form," he said. "The inform players deserve to be selected, but at present they haven't got a chance to win a place."

Buljevic has played 25 games for Victoria, scoring six goals. His last game was against the Italian Army in 1976. Buljevic, of course, scored in the 1-2 defeat.

"The problem starts with the Australian youngsters," he said. "In their family life things come too easily, and this sets bad standards. When it comes to soccer, young players aren't dedicated enough because they aren't used to working hard."

"I've seen many youngsters give the game away at the first sign of disappointment, because they want everything to come easily."

"Young players in the PSL will work hard because they are at the top. But players with lower clubs give up trying to better themselves."

Enthusiasm and dedication should push players to improve all the time."

Branko said he was amazed at the number of young players who acted like "stars" after one season in senior soccer.

"At several clubs I've seen youngsters demanding to play in a certain position, and arguing with the coach when they are dropped," said Branko. "When I was a teenager, I would listen and learn, and if goalkeeper was the only position left in the team, I would play there."

The lack of dedication and enthusiasm is disappointing. In Europe, the young players live for soccer. There's a lot of competition to join a top club and players are desperate to be selected."

"There's a little chance of becoming as strong in Australia because there are so many things going against it. But that's the only way we'll improve as a soccer nation."

Buljevic said Australia couldn't create the infectious feeling for soccer that's evident in Europe, so our only chance is promotion of the game, using American-style techniques.

"We must increase the interest among young players," he said. "They must love soccer, and be dedicated or we won't produce top players."

However, sometimes the gimmicks used by the Americans are harmful.

"Players like Mike Micevski and Duncan Cummings were harmed by publicity," said Branko. "They were built up as future stars but still haven't proved themselves."

Socceroos:

no need
for panic

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I hope Rudi Gutendorf does not really believe that his World Cup task is becoming "a mission impossible".

Rudi reportedly made this statement amidst the confusion over player visas: a problem compounded by the unavailability of national squad players due to injury or work.

It is possible that players like centre back Stuart Baxter, midfielders Peter Boyle and John Stevenson and striker Ken Boden will be lost to the national team due to the visa problem — though this may yet be solved. But if these fine players are lost to the socceros there are other excellent players to replace them.

Right from the start Rudi Gutendorf's team selections were difficult because he had so many players of similar ability to choose from. Indeed he has said he could pick three teams approaching similar ability.

The bigger problem is to have the players working together to build the cohesion Gutendorf seeks.

They are scattered far and wide and have jobs to worry about. This dual problem is not faced by most of our World Cup opponents.

What needs to be done to help players resolve problems at work is for the training camps, trial games and tours to be organised well in advance.

This enables players to make some arrangement with employers. I know the boss of Joe Watson, a national team hopeful. He was terribly inconvenienced when Joe was able to give him only a couple of days' notice before leaving for a training camp.

There is no question that this is a difficult problem for Rudi Gutendorf. It has been compounded by the on-again-off-again possibilities of our involvement in the Olympic Games.

Nevertheless he, in conjunction with the ASF must set down a strict schedule of training and practise games which is workable and convenient for the players.

This must be given to the players so that they can inform their employers and make suitable arrangements.

If this is set down, and as far as possible adhered to, our coach would suffer less the frustration he feels at present.

The alternative is to let marconi represent Australia — and that will not work either.

Although Marconi now has seven players in the national squad, with another Allan Maher, knocking on the door, there is a possibility that when a full strength all-Australian eleven is named, only three Marconi players may be in it.

This was the situation in 1973-74 when Rale Rasic was in charge of the national team: at a time when I was a manager-coach of St George BSC.

Rale had eight St George players in his squad but only two of these played regularly: Manfred Schaefer and Doug Utjesenovic.

Of the others, Bobby Hogg received a bad injury, while George Harris, Harry Williams, Jim Fraser, Attie Abonyi and John Warren weren't regulars.

On one occasion, the eight were in camp for eight weeks for World Cup games, and five of them did not get a game and came out of camp rusty as old knives.

Former Socceroo striker Branko Buljevic rides a tackle by Brett Cowburn of Newcastle KB Utd. Buljevic believes today's young players aren't dedicated enough.

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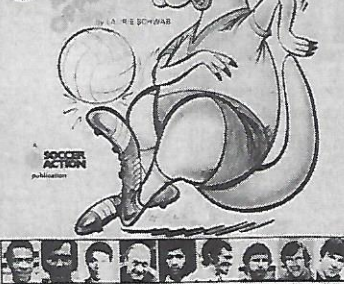


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Heidelberg Utd	2	3	1	8	6	3	1	3	11	8	19:14	1	15
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Newcastle KB	4	0	2	13	6	2	2	3	9	11	22:17	0	14
Canberra City	1	2	3	5	9	3	2	2	10	7	15:16	0	12
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Sydney Olympic	2	0	4	5	8	3	0	4	11	11	16:19	0	10
Brisbane Lions	2	0	5	10	16	3	0	3	6	7	16:23	0	10
South Melbourne	2	1	4	9	12	1	0	5	2	15	11:27	0	7
St George	2	0	5	7	15	1	0	5	10	28	13:30	0	6

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In brackets: No. of appearances in this team.

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(H'berg) (Foots) (H'berg) (StH Melb)

ROONEY (2)
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BRISBANE LIONS 0 ADELAIDE CITY 6. Ratings
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LIONS — Lownds 6, Hermiston 7, Bennett 6,
Lawrie 6, Niven 6 (Fairbrother 50th), Russell 5
(Spearritt 6, 46th), Wilson 6, Ontong 7, Laszlo 5,
Brennan 6, Millman 6.

ADELAIDE CITY — Marshall 8, Russell 7, Besir 8, B.
Nyskohus 8, Dodds 8, Perin 7, Muniz 9, Villani 8,
Northcote 8, J. Nyskohus 8, Kent 9.

ST GEORGE 2 OLYMPIC 0. Ratings by Mike John-
son.

ST GEORGE: Fraser 6, Utjesenovic 8, Harris 8, R.
O'Shea 7, Della Picca 8, Gnani 7, J. O'Shea 7, Kay 7
(67 mins Grossa), Cotton 9, Katholos 6 (69 mins Mor-
gan), Mihajlovic 6.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 7, McIntosh 7, Rowden
7, Bell 7, Cross 5, Laing 6 (37 mins Ainslie), Rasko-
poulos 6, Wilson 6, Eaton 5, Scott 5 (67 mins Poulos),
Jennings 7.

WEST ADELAIDE 2 BRISBANE CITY 1. Ratings by
Meno Toutsidis.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 8, Tymczyszyn 7, Rey-
nolds 7, Kambas 8, Jones 7, Bozanic 7, Boyle 7, Kos-
mina 8, Norris 7, Honeyman 6, McGregor 6 (Zervas
sent off).

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 7, Tokesi 7, Perry 7,
Gaffney 8, Campbell 6, Pimblett 7, Caldwell 6 (Con-
nor), Kelsa 7, Coyne 7, Wilkinson 6, Potter 7.

SYDNEY CITY 2 CANBERRA 1. Ratings by Johnny
Warren.

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 7, Mullen 7 (Campbell 7),
O'Connor 7, Trentor 7, Bruce 7, Stevenson 7,
Souness 7, Barnes 8, Silva 7 (Kershaw 7), Smith 7,
Watson 7.

CANBERRA CITY: Hoszowski 9, Kawaleva 6,
Brown 8, Moulis 7, Milovanovic 6, Cant 7, Calligan 7,
davis 7, Farrell 7, Gruicic 5 (Fielding 5), Byrne 7.

FOOTSCRAY 2 NEWCASTLE KB UTD 0. Ratings
by Laurie Schwab.

FOOTSCRAY: Potter 8 — Ristic 8, Jovicic 7, Kon-
darios 9, Lujic 9 — Ilioski 7, Ollerton 8, Rujevic 6 —
Palinkas 8, Picciano 6, Ristovski 6.

NEWCASTLE: Preston 7 — Willis 8, Drinkwater 8,
Bertagna 8, Curran 7 — McClelland 5, Sneddon 6,
Cowburn 5 — Keolan 7, Boden 6, Tredinnick 5.

MARCONI 0 HEIDELBERG 4. Ratings by Alex
Vesic.

MARCONI: Maher 5 — Berry 6, Russell 6, Prskalo
7, Degney 6 — Henderson 6, Byrne 6, Lindsay 6 —
Janovic 5, Krncevic 7, Sharne 5.

HEIDELBERG: Banovic 8 — Yzendoorn 8, Provan 9,
Bannon 8, Tansey 8 — Campbell 8, Taylor 8, Rooney 9
— Bozikes 7 (Paton 8, 46th), Cole 9, Buljevic 9.

SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 APIA 2. Ratings by Laurie
Schwab.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Hansen 5 — Pye 8, Munro
6, Baxter 8, Davidson 9 — Lutton 6, Christopoulos 7,
Wright 8 — Drakeford 6 (Cummings 66th), Evans 7,
Campbell 8.

APIA: Woodhouse 9 — McGinn 8, Wilson 8,
Dempsey 8, Pullen 7 — O'Donnell 6, Rampanti (Reed
6, 23rd. min), Carruthers 7, Stone 7 — Roberts 8,
Butler 7.

Leading averages:

7.9 Pye (SM).

7.8 Muir (AC), Prskalo (Mar), S. O'Connor (SC),
Crook (WA).

7.7 Potter, Perry, Tokesi (BC), Thomson (SC), Jan-
kovic (Mar), Hermiston (BL).

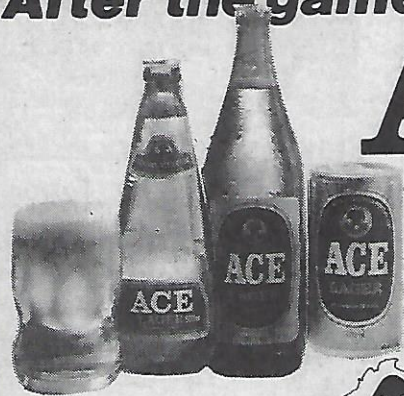
7.6 Stark, Davies (Can), Kondarios (Foots), Krnce-
vic, Sharne (Mar), Clarke (SC), Meier (SO).

7.5 Marshall (AC), Woodhouse, Turnbull, Rampanti
(APIA), Gaffney, Wilkinson (BC), Rooney, Buljevic
(H'berg), G. Byrne, Henderson (Mar), Davidson
(SM), Watson (SC), Raskopoulos, Jennings (SO).

7.4 Ratcliffe (BC) Baxter (SM), P. O'Connor (St.G.),
Bruce (SC).

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5. Easton (SO), Barnes (SC), Sharpe (Can), Cole (H'berg), J. Nyshokov (AC).
4. Norris, Kosmina (WA), Heys (Newc), T. Byrne (Can), Kelso (BC), Evans (SM).
3. Pillans (WA), Stevenson (SC), P. O'Connor, J. O'Shea (St. G.), G. Byrne (Marc), Summerscales, Boden (Newc), Buljevic, Paton (H'berg), Ristovski (Foot), Grujicic (Can), Northcote, Villani (AC), Reed (APIA).

Rasic makes bid for leadership

Two years running, Rale Rasic experienced the frustration of losing the Philips League championship after his team had been odds-on to win it.

His team in those two years was Marconi, which lost the title on goal difference to Sydney City in 1977 and slipped to fourth place in 1978 after leading the league by six points at the half-way mark.

After a series of internal conflicts at Marconi, Rasic left late last year to join Adelaide City, the one team in the Philips League which has always had the better of its Italian cousins from Sydney.

In 1977, Adelaide City beat Marconi 1-0 and 4-0. Last year Adelaide City repeated its 4-0 win and drew the other game 1-1. Their first round match this year resulted in a 4-4 draw.

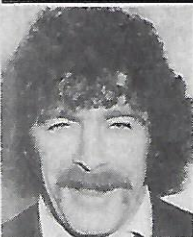
Brisbane Lions was Adelaide City's hoodoo team until last Sunday, when Rasic's men not only scored their first win over the northerners but did so by booting home six goals.

The three-point victory, combined with Marconi's 0-4 loss to Heidelberg, lifted Adelaide City to second place, only one point behind Marconi.

Adelaide City is now a genuine contender for the 1979 title. It has the players to do it and with Rasic at the helm it has the right leadership.

The six-goal victory over Lions was remarkable because it was achieved without two of City's finest players, striker Dixie Deans and centre back Jim Muir who were both injured. Former Australian captain Gary Marchant was recalled to the squad as a replacement but he didn't get a run.

Rale preferred young Charlie Villani who promptly scored two goals. Early in the



Dixie Deans - he missed the 6-0 victory over Lions

season, Rasic had predicted accurately that Villani would explode onto the PSL scene with a lot of noise.

To maintain its challenge to Marconi, Adelaide City must beat 1977 champion and 1978 top four winner Sydney City at the Olympic Sports Field on Sunday.

The Slickers have had the better of Adelaide City since the start of the PSL, winning 2-1 and 6-1 in 1977 and winning 1-0 and losing 1-2 in 1978.

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By LAURIE SCHWAB

Weekend Philips League matches with likely winners in capitals:

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IN CANBERRA
CANBERRA CITY v St George, Bruce Stadium, Sunday 3 pm.

IN SYDNEY
APIA-LEICHHARDT v Brisbane City, Wentworth Park, Sunday 3 pm.

IN BRISBANE
Brisbane Lions v MARCONI, Perry Park, Sunday 3 pm.

IN ADELAIDE
ADELAIDE CITY v Sydney City, Olympic Sports Field, Sunday, 3 pm.



Rale Rasic

Newcastle coach Alan Vest is relying heavily on key players Bill Summerscales, Graham Heys and Ian Seddon recovering from injuries so that KB United can face West Adelaide with confidence at the International Sports Centre on Saturday.

Peter Boyle, Graham Norris, John Kosmina, and Vic Bozanic will present Newcastle with real problems in this match and its sound defence constitutes a formidable hurdle for the KB forwards. Heys would prove a worry to Peter Tymoczyn and would provide valuable wing service for Kevan Keelan and Ken Boden, while Summerscales would give Kosmina something to think about.

Gerry Chalidi is just as desperate as Rasic, for it is Sydney City which has had to vacate second place to make room for Adelaide City.

Chalidi, of course, is as much aware of Adelaide City as Rasic is aware of the Slickers. There is no way that Deans (ft), John Nyshokov and Chris Kent are going to get any freedom in attack. Similarly, former Slicker Agenor Muniz and his side-kicks John Perin and Brian Northcote will find themselves closed down quickly in midfield.

It should be an engrossing match, with the winners establishing themselves firmly as Marconi's strongest challengers. Marconi, meanwhile, travels to Brisbane to take on the mangy Lions. Fans will be expecting Marconi to emulate Adelaide City's goal feast but coach Les Scheinflug is showed enough to realise that any team will tighten up considerably after such a thrashing.

Nevertheless, Marconi should have no trouble winning, especially since its players now have recovered from the strain of playing in Australia's 0-1 loss to New Zealand.

And, naturally, Scheinflug will be looking for a bonus point despite the tighter defence which Lions will muster.

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Mr Tuting, of Taroonga, Tasmania, has acted as ASF liaison officer with many touring teams and is one of the longest-serving soccer officials in Australia. "Soccer Action" offers its congratulations.

Monaro saved, Avala fires

NSW State League

Monaro's 71st minute substitute Ian Heywood showed dazzling form against Croatia in Canberra, giving his side the two second half goals that earned it a deserved 2-2 draw.

Heywood scored within 60 seconds of coming onto the field as 2-0 and appeared to have the hard-fought game in the bag.

In the 34th minute Croatia's former English First Division player Nick Fenoughy fired a goalmouth clearance through a wall of players and passed Monaro's keeper Laurie Palic.

When after 11 minutes into the second half Monaro's full-back Aldo Charles put a back pass into his own net, it appeared all over.

But on came Canberra City cast off Ian Heywood in the 71st minute and his 72nd minute goal changed the complexion of the match.

Avala scored their biggest win of the season in effortlessly beating Yugals 5-0 at Concord Oval.

Yugal's pathetically weak defence showed why the team is at the bottom of the table.

Leading 2-0 at half-time with goals by Brad Young and Alan Griffiths, Avala took advantage of the weak opposition.

They continued their domination in the second half with Young and Bruno Kodor quickly taking the score to 4-0 by the 54th minute.

Yugal's frustration became obvious in the final 15 minutes when David Pigromer and Rob Duarte were sent off for senseless violations.

Zoran Djuricic made the final score 5-0 when he beat Yugal's goalkeeper Peter Barry with a penalty goal in the 81st minute.

Diminutive Brian Parker made a triumphant return to the Melita line-up after a two-month lay-off following injury with a brilliant 30th minute goal to set the seal on the game against arch rival Toongabbie.

A cross ball from Steve Vervels following a 30 metre jinking run by Parker was stabbed back into a crowded area by Joe Farrugia and amid dust and flying limbs, Parker somehow managed to slot the ball home from close range.

Ray Farrugia and Brian Parker stood out for Melita.

Sutherland may have surrendered a spot in the top four with a 1-0 loss to Auburn at Mona Park.

The only goal came in the 63rd minute when Bruce Tilt was brought down in the penalty area and Willy Hamilton converted.

Goalkeeper Phil Craggs, the best player in the Sutherland line-up, denied Auburn two certain goals when he saved hard shots from close range.

In a game of wasted opportunities Marrickville just edged out Manly 1-0 at Arlington Oval.

Ali Elsein in goal for Marrickville had a good game and saved his side on a number of occasions.

After half-time Manly defender George Townsend moved forward in an effort to add thrust to the Manly attack and two excellent shots just cleared the cross bar.

Marrickville were fortunate to score the all important goal in the 55th minute when Joe Ramlich fastened on to a bad back pass by Roger Moutter and beat Chris Cassetari in the Manly goal.

Two goals by Derek Sides paved the way for Arncliffe's win over Kurling at Parklands Oval.

Against the run of play, Arncliffe took the lead when they forced a corner kick on the right and with the Kurling defence trying to scramble the ball away, Sides delayed his shot to

MONARO 2 (Heywood 2) draw with CROATIA 2 (Fenoughy, Charles), at Bruce Stadium, Canberra. Crowd: 3000.

ARNCLIFFE SCOTS 3 (Sides 2, Tracey) d KU-RING-GAI 2 (Smith, Butcher og), at Parklands Oval. Crowd: 175.

AUBURN 1 (Hamilton) d SUTHERLAND 0, at Mona Park. Crowd: 438.

AVALA 5 (Young 2, Kodor, Griffith, Duricic) d YUGAL 0, at Concord. Crowd: 1224.

MELITA 1 (Parker) d TOONGABBIE 0, at Garra Park. Crowd: 3050.

PARRAMATTA CITY 1 (Harvey) d BANKSTOWN 0, at Bankstown. Crowd: 409.

MARRICKVILLE OLYMPIC 1 (Ramlich) d MANLY 0, at Arlington. Crowd: 320.

	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Croatia	9	4	2	32	13	22
Inter-Monaro	7	4	2	32	20	18
Melita Eagles	5	5	2	20	13	15
Avala	7	1	5	24	22	15
Sutherland	5	4	4	24	15	14
M'ville Olympic	5	3	5	19	13	13
Auburn	5	3	5	24	25	13
Toongabbie	4	4	5	20	21	12
Kurling	3	6	4	16	22	12
Parramatta	6	-	7	14	24	12
Bankstown	4	3	6	13	15	11
Arncliffe	3	3	7	13	23	9
Manly	3	2	8	11	18	8
Yugal	2	2	8	11	24	6

15. Valeri (IM).
10. Hall (Suth).

9. Abonyi (Cr), Allen (ME), Montgomery (Aub).

8. Fisher (Toon).
7. Beggs (Suth), Savor (Cr), Ramlich (NO), Daley (Bank).

5. Djuricic (Av), T. Morsello (IM), Jack (Manly), Kovacic (Cr), Firrell (KRO), Brown (MO).

4. Young, Kodor (Av), R. Farrugia (IM), Stoddart (Suth), Sullivan (Cr), Sides (AS), Harding (Toon), Giampaolo (IM), Tracey (AS), Heywood (IM), Goose (AS), J. Morsello (Y), Patterson (Av).

wrong-foot the keeper, and lobbed the ball into the net from six metres.

Arncliffe took a 2-0 lead after 57 minutes when Bob Oldham hit a long defence-splitting pass to Sides who skirted into the penalty area, drew the goalkeeper off his line and then fired a low 20-metre shot into the corner of the net.

With 20 minutes remaining, a lapse in concentration saw Peter Butcher turn the ball into his own net to record Kurling's first goal and touch off a spirited finish to the match.

Arncliffe who had elected to attack with only two strikers, threw more men forward and it came as no surprise when Richie Schroeder's cross was centred away by keeper Stephen Ellis to the boot of Andy Tracey, who made no mistake from three metres out for Arncliffe's third goal.

Kurling pulled back a goal from a set play free kick when Kenny Smith netted from close range but Arncliffe hung on grimly for an eventual 3-2 win.

A good display of goalkeeping by Ian Barker gave Parramatta City a 1-0 win over Bankstown. Parramatta scored in the 55th minute with a copy book goal.

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Kent, Villani cut loose

**BRISBANE LIONS 0
ADELAIDE CITY 6**

Scorers: J. Nykohous 45th and 50th, Villani 25th and 61st, Kent 72nd, Dodds 79th. Ground: Perry Park. Crowd: 1500. Weather: Fine. Referee: Witschack 6. Cautions: Brenna, Fairbrother (BL), Dodds (AC).

Adelaide City capitalised on Brisbane Lions' most pathetic performance in the Philips League when they simply murdered the home side to register a crushing 6-0 win at Perry Park.

Apart from being the Lions' biggest hiding since the PSL started, it was also City's first scoring point this season.

Ironically, during the week, coach Rale Rasic had told me he did not believe in the bonus system. He still may not but there's no doubting the extra point will prove valuable in City's title chase.

City played without goalkeeping ace Dixie Deans, who was on the bench, but it made no difference, with Rasic's men never in danger after scoring their first goal in the 29th minute.

The loss certainly will have brought coach Matt Carson and new signing Ron Millman down to earth with a thud, after Carson had begun his new job the previous week with a good away win over Canberra City.

City did not have a weakness in any department. Their passing was crisp and accurate, they broke with their monstrous regularity and their shooting power from all angles was a delight.

The complete lack of thought and confidence at the back in the Lions team was nothing short of amazing and there seemed to be no direction or purpose when they found themselves down 3-0.

Surely the options were to either to attack and whittle down the lead or defend grimly in the hope of holding the rampaging black and white striped shorts out. Lions chose to do neither.

City were always masters of the midfield, with young Charlie Villani proving again he is a star of the future and up front, John Nykohous, Chris Kent and Brian Rennie, who, with John Perin and Aggie Muniz continually probing and pushing from behind.

Lions made a few openings in the first 20 minutes with the speed of Brennan and Millman and Jim Hermonston's crosses causing a few problems. But City goalkeeper Peter Marshall provided what would have been one of the turning points of the match when he brilliantly saved from Brennan in the 28th minute.

That was all City needed to open the floodgates. In the 29th minute, Col Bennett mistimed a backpass to Nigel Lownds and the Lions keeper dashed to try to clear with his left boot.

But the ball went straight to Villani, who kept his cool and calmly chipped from well out into the vacant Lions goal.

Lions almost grabbed an equaliser seven minutes later when Hermonston poked a shot goalwards from a Lasso corner, but John Besir cleared off the line.

Further damage was done in the last minute off the first half when John Nykohous ran through the square Lions defence, charged away and drew Lownds, rounded him easily and slotted home.

The landslide became 3-0 only five minutes after the interval when Kent shook off Graham Wilson on the right, cut in and shot. Lownds failed to hold it and Nykohous completed the easiest of jobs.

City did not have to wait long to secure their bonus point — another 11 minutes in fact, when Hermonston supplied with a beautiful pass, Kent streaked down the left, drew two Lions defenders and cut back to the unmarked Villani, who hammered in No. four.

Lions had a great chance to possibly ease the bonus point when Fairbrother nodded a cross down to Millman's feet but he blasted high over the bar with only Marshall to beat.

The scoreline began to take on embarrassing proportions for Lions in the 72nd minute when Kent made another long run, completely unmolested, and thrashed a left-footer past the helpless Lownds.

The rout was completed 11 minutes from the end with left-back Glenn Dodds joining in the rout. Lions' defence again fell below schoolboy standard when

Evans needs a partner

**STH MELBOURNE 1
APIA 2**

Scorers: Sth Melb: Lutton 38th, APIA: Butler 22nd, Pye own goal 85th. Ground: Middle Park. Crowd: About 12,000. Weather: fine. Referee: Don Campbell (SA) 7. Cautions: Carruthers, O'Donnell (APIA), Evans, Lutton (SM).

APIA caught South Melbourne with a late counter-attack to win this game with a Mike Pye own goal forced by Peter Stone, but I reckon even coach Ray Richards would concede that APIA could easily have lost.

It was only some brilliant goals by Greg Woodhouse and grand defence by Jim Dempsey, Peter Wilson and Bobby McGinn that kept South Melbourne out.

And Souths made it hard for themselves as well. Almost every attack was based on a cross to the head of Alan Evans who had Dempsey virtually glued to his back. Even when Evans did find the header he did not have time to direct it.

Evans will continue to get this type of close attention, so the only way out is to stick a second striker up front to share the load. Duncan Cummings is the man for the job.

To do so, coach Duncan McKay would have to drop winger Ken Drakeford. He would still have George Campbell to provide wing service on one side. Campbell is more productive, more direct and more dangerous than Drakeford.

Cummings is still Souths' top scorer in PSL matches. Re-establishing his partnership with Evans would, I feel, guarantee goals in the difficult weeks ahead, starting with the match against Olympic in Sydney on Sunday.

APIA coach Ray Richards surprised by leaving former George Cross star Ken Reed out of the team's 4-2-2 formation. However, Reed came on after 23 minutes to replace Rosario Rampanti who was apparently injured.

Greg Woodhouse showed the uncanny reflexes that have made him Rudi Gutendorf's No. 1 choice for the national team.

Woodhouse was forced into action as early as the sixth minute when he came out quickly to pounce on the ball before Evans could get to it.

When Alan Davidson strided forward unimpeded and launched a powerful drive at goal Woodhouse again saved well.

APIA took the lead in the 22nd minute due to a defensive mistake by Frank Munro. He tried to steer the ball back to goalkeeper John Hansen, but it stopped short, allowing Terry Butler to nip in and score it low into the net.

In the 26th minute Woodhouse punched Drakeford's cross virtually off Evans head. Two minutes later Stuart Baxter rammed a Woodhouse clearance back towards goal but McGinn was on the line to clear. Then a powerful drive by George Christopoulos was turned for a corner.

A corner by Campbell was repelled by the APIA defence to Sammy Wright who shot well but Woodhouse came out to make the last save of the day, turning the ball over the bar.

South Melbourne drew level in the 33rd minute when they stormed forward down the left and chipped the ball square to Bertie Lutton who lashed it first-time into the net.

When Drakeford lost the ball in the 55th minute, APIA struck swiftly in one of its dangerous counter-attacks. Roberts launched a shot which should have been easy for Hansen to save, but instead Hansen dived too early and made a hash of it. Butler came in to put away the loose ball but Hansen managed to get a leg at the shot and deflect it over the top.

Cummings replaced Drakeford a minute later, as Davidson sent an incisive pass to Wright in the penalty area but Wright's shot was turned for a corner.

Roberts, a most accurate forward, crossed the ball from the right and Hansen misjudged it badly. Luckily for Souths Stuart Baxter came in behind Hansen to hook the ball off the line.

At the other end Woodhouse deflected a sizzling drive by Campbell but with the ball bobbing about in the penalty area, none of the South Melbourne players could reach it to put it away.

Then came APIA's break-

Ilioski nets his fourth

**FOOTSCRAY 2
NEWCASTLE 0**

Scorers: Ilioski 80th, Piccione 87th. Ground: Olympic Park. Weather: Cold, with strong wind from goal to goal. Crowd: About 1200.

Referee: S. Mellings (Vic.) 8. Cautions: Curran (Newc), Ollerton (Foot).

Footscray J.U.S.T. coach Bobby McLaughlin was happy with the two points but said his players were capable of much better things.

Only about six players carried us through the first half," he said. "That figure increased to eight or nine players after half-time. We played a lot better against APIA in Sydney and got nothing for it. If we can get back to that standard we'll start being more consistent."

McLaughlin said he was pleased that the club had sent him to Newcastle to watch KB play against St George the previous week. That game had given him an insight into how Newcastle plays and who its danger men are.

Naturally, McLaughlin instructed his defenders to pay special attention to Ken Bowden who was prominent only in patches. New striker Kevan Keelan, who was top scorer in the English Cheshire League, posed greater danger around goal particularly in the second half, when he bought one particularly fine save from Steve Potter.

McLaughlin also assigned Mirko Rujevic to mark Malcolm McClelland and told Joe Palinkas to beware of Col Curran's overlaps.

Throughout the match, Footscray looked best when it raided down the flanks, through Zdravko Lujic on the left and Joe Palinkas on the right. Newcastle lacked drive on the right flank.

In the final analysis, Newcastle lost not only because of Footscray's endeavours but also because of the many injuries in its own squad.

Three players who would have made all the difference had they been available, are dashing winger Graham Heys, midfielder schenar Ian Seddon and centre back Bill Summerscales.

Without Seddon, and with McClelland subdued by Rujevic, Newcastle was deprived of an effective midfield.

Having wing replacement, Peter Trefinick, could not cope with his opponent, Andrija Ristic who had a fine game.

Amo Bertogna was a capable replacement for Summerscales in defence, but Newcastle missed Summerscales' height and strength in set pieces up front.

Footscray's victory was made possible by the sound defending of Jim Kondontes and Andrija Ristic. Peter Ollerton, excelling in his new mid-field role, provided valuable support for the defence and also played penetrating long balls forward.

But it was midfielder Zoran Ilioski, maintaining his newly-found midfield prowess, who put J.U.S.T. on the road to victory with a goal 10 minutes from the end — his fourth in as many weeks (counting Cup games).

Ilioski scored only one goal last season when his play was more cautious and based heavily on defence. He still does the defensive work but now he's just as good in attack.

He took the goal well, deceiving goalkeeper Jim Preston who was coming out to meet him, then stepping around Preston before putting the ball into the empty net. To cap a move started by a cross from Ollerton.

Mendo Ristovski, Radoslav Jovicic, Kondontes, Rujevic and others raced towards Ilioski and hoisted him up onto their shoulders. He deserved it.

The goal unsettled the Newcastle defence, which had been sound until then.

Ristovski got away down the left flank, beat a man and squared the ball across goal for Palinkas at the top of the penalty area, running in, just missed the ball in a move that should have netted a goal.

With time running out, Newcastle had two chances to equalise. From a cross by McClelland, Keelan managed a dangerous header at the far post but Potter dived brilliantly to hold it before it could be slotted home. Then Keelan took the penalty area and a dangerous move but Tistic hooked the ball clear in the nick of time.

Joe Piccione notched J.U.S.T.'s second goal in the 87th minute. Cutting in from the left, he skipped past two defenders before placing the ball low into the far corner, past the groping goalkeeper.

Zervas off, three hurt

**WEST ADELAIDE 2
BRISBANE CITY 1**

Scorers: Kosmina (63), Kambas (82), Coyne (4). Cautions: Kosmina, Honeyman (West), Pimblett (Brisbane City). Sent off: Alex Zervas (70). Ground: Hindmarsh Stadium. Weather: Cold and windy. Crowd: 4,600. Referee: Graham Neale 7.

West Adelaide edged out Brisbane City 2-1 in a bloody, tense match at Hindmarsh Stadium. In one of the most rugged PSL matches played in Adelaide, three players had been used in Australia's international match against New Zealand in Auckland.

Surely the fixture could have been switched to the Queen's birthday holiday without much trouble. The Philips League stands condemned by the very fact that it allowed the game to go ahead just four days after six Marconi players had been used in Australia's international match against New Zealand in Auckland.

But that is only half the story. There were several ugly incidents behind play which went undetected.

West defender Con Kambas was involved in two skirmishes while Brisbane City's Peter Tokes clashed with John Kosmina after they collided in mid air.

And immediately after the game Tokes clashed with a spectator who was quickly apprehended by police.

And on top of that there were many brutal tackles which culminated in Alex Zervas being sent off for allegedly striking Brisbane City keeper Kim Wishart.

City, which needed to win to stay in touch with the leaders, made no secret of its intentions. It tackled fiercely and committed several "professional" fouls.

Referee Graham Neale failed to reprimand the culprits (on both sides) early and as a result the match degenerated.

As one reporter said, commenting on Brisbane's tackling: "They're not taking any prisoners."

But what about the match? Well, Brisbane looked extremely dangerous in the opening minutes and grabbed a fourth-minute lead when John Coyne hit a harmless looking shot through a host of players and keeper Martyn Crook.

West began to take control from the 15th minute and had Brisbane under considerable pressure.

Kosmina, who was getting some rough treatment from Tokes, positioned himself well to head a cross from the right but Wishart handled it comfortably.

Two minutes later Kosmina was set to steer the ball past Wishart from a metre but a desperate lunging by Tokes thwarted the attempt.

West suffered their first blow in the 35th minute when David Jones left the field with blood streaming from the side of his head.

He returned later with a bandage around his head.

Midway through the half Kambas clashed with Barry Kelso behind the play and also played a second half with a bandage around his head.

Brisbane, which had been preparing for a second-half fight-back from West, held them fairly well until the 63rd minute.

Peter Boyle broke away just inside the penalty area, and floated the ball to Kosmina who speared a header past Wishart from five metres.

It was Kosmina's fourth goal in five matches and he is quickly running back to his best form.

He is not only scoring goals but also creating a lot of space on the forward line and continually dropping back when West is under pressure.

West suffered a major blow midway through the half when Zervas was sent off.

But it showed admirable fighting qualities and eventually wore down Brisbane's resistance.

It clinched the winning goal from the penalty spot after a City defender had punched out Norris goal-bound header.

Con Kambas took the kick which Wishart saved.

This was an injustice!

**MARCONI 0
HEIDELBERG 4**

Scorers: Zvendoom 62nd, Paton 62nd, Cole 70th and 73rd. Ground: Marconi Oval. Crowd: 4362. Weather: Fine. Referee: Des Miles 7. Cautions: Rooney (H).

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Stevenson misses

**SYDNEY CITY 2
CANBERRA 1**

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Easy picking for Cotton

**ST GEORGE 2
SYD OLYMPIC 0**

Scorers: Cotton 13th, Morgan 75th. Ground: St George Stadium. Crowd: 3874. Weather: Fine. Referee: Richard Lorenz 7. Cautions: McIntosh (SO).

The real of the praise must go to Roy Cotton who had an outstanding game on St George's right wing.

He scored the first goal after 12 minutes following a through ball from new signing Tom Mihajlovic.

He also was involved in the second goal which sealed the game in the 69th minute when a Cotton-Gnani right-wing build-up finished with a near-post cross and was flicked in by replacement striker Neville Morgan.

Morgan replaced Peter Katholias in the 55th minute.

Throughout the game St George defended better than Sydney Olympic.

The one Olympic player to improve as the game progressed was winger Graham Jennings.

Olympic midfielder, Peter Raskopoulos who had shone in the first half, faded badly in the second period like the rest of his colleagues.

Olympic, which has been unfortunate with injuries this season, suffered another blow midway through the first half when winger Derek Laing limped off and was replaced by Alan Ainslie.

However, St George which took the field without first team strikers, Phil O'Connor and Peter Gensman, who will both be out for extended periods, with foot injuries, must be very satisfied with their victory.

Defenders Della Picca, Utjesenovic and George Harris will be especially pleased with their performances.

They were generally more composed, but especially marked opponents tighter than did Sydney Olympic.

Without taking any of the credit away from Roy Cotton the looseness of the marking greatly assisted his outstanding performance.

Cotton is a devastating player if given this type of room.

New Saints signing Mihajlovic, while involved in the first goal, generally had a quiet game, though at times he showed the composure skills for which he was noted in State League with Yugal.

Sydney Olympic was in the game for most of the first half but faded badly after the interval.

This applied especially to twin strikers Andy Scott who was replaced in the 67th minute by Leo Poles, and Clive Eaton.

Olympic coach, Joe Marston, must have been disappointed by the lack of effectiveness of these two, his main striking force.

Gradually Sydney started to lose their method and the best chance of the first half fell to Canberra's Byrne after a fine run from Farrell.

Hoszowski made fine saves from Smith in the 33rd and Barnes minutes later to confirm the opinion that he is one of the finest "on the line" keepers in the land.

Aided by a composed and superb Brown, Canberra appeared to have weathered the storm and when Byrne scored in the 40th minute it appeared as though Canberra would maintain its fine away record.

Greilich missed a superb opportunity to score in the 46th minute, one of only three chances Canberra had to score in the entire match.

When Stevenson missed an unjust penalty in the 63rd minute Sydney City pressed even harder for the equaliser which came in the 65th minute when Watson scored from eleven metres from Stevenson's cross.

Barnes, back to his best form, deservedly got the winner from a Watson cross in the 84th minute.

For Sydney City it was a much-needed win and broke the team's depressing run of home losses.

NZ LOSS NO CAUSE FOR DESPAIR

By TOM ANDERSON

Australia's 0-1 defeat by New Zealand at Newmarket Park Auckland, last Wednesday night, may have been a blow to the pride of Australian soccer but it was by no means a setback on the road to the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain.

In fact this first win by the Kiwis over the Socceroos for 25 years could well be a blessing in disguise.

For it showed national coach Rudi Gutendorf the weaknesses in his squad and just where he has to start filling the gaps in his line-up.

After NSW's magnificent 4-1 win over Norwich City, everything on the national team front looked rosy and many people were led into the false hope that after only one outing, coach Gutendorf had found the perfect combination for his national squad.

Not even Marvo the Magician could have achieved such a feat so quickly!

And the New Zealanders proved that these Socceroos are by no means the desired combination — yet!

In fact the Australian soccer public should be prepared for some more defeats before Gutendorf comes up with the answer.

For at this stage it is very much a case of trial by error.

Last Wednesday's game in Auckland should never have taken place, for the simple reason that the ground was in a terrible condition and by most standards unplayable.

Gutendorf wanted the game postponed for 24 hours but the New Zealand hierarchy would not hear of it.

So it went ahead. The Kiwis handled the situation much better than the Australians and this was a deciding factor in the result.

However, this is not an excuse for Australia's loss, as any team at international level should be able to handle any conditions that may present themselves.

Australia had seven relatively inexperienced players in its team, with an average age of 22.

NEW ZEALAND 1 (Ormond 58th) AUSTRALIA 0 at Newmarket Park, Auckland last Wednesday. Crowd about 4000.

AUSTRALIA — Woodhouse 8 — Curran 6, Wilson 8, O'Connor 8, Degney 6 (Sub J. O'Shea (65th min)) — Henderson 7, Byrne 9, Jankovic 6 (sub Kosmina 7 45th min) — Sharpe 6 (sub Muniz 60th), Krccecic 8, Watson 9.

NEW ZEALAND — Wilson 9 — Sibley 7, Malcolmson 8, Almond 8, Elrick 6 — Cole 9, Summer 7, Turner 8 — Ormond 6 (sub Stamps 80th min), Neilson 7, Verweij 9. Referee — Tom Delahunty 8.

New Zealand — heralded in the land of the long white cloud as "Dads Army" had 10 imports in its line-up, with an average age of 30.

So the real difference between the two teams is that the young Australians are on the way up, and capable of improving around 40 per cent by the time the World Cup preliminary games come along in 1981.

Now Zealand on the other hand, cannot play better than it did last Wednesday and by the time the 1981 preliminaries come along, many of these players will be spending their time in the old age pension queues!

The feature in the Australian team that stood out like a sore thumb was the lack of a midfield general.

There was just no-one in a green and gold jersey with the stamp of Jimmy Rooney, to control the proceedings.

Destructively Gary Byrne and Tony Henderson had fine games and look good, but they just did not have the time nor I think the guile, to take control and set up moves.

The other midfielder, Mark Jankovic, was quick on the break and indeed got himself into some fine scoring positions, but cannot be described as a playmaker either.

Jankovic was replaced by Agner Muniz in the second half and this did in fact help matters, as Muniz functioned quite well as a playmaker.

In goal, young Greg Woodhouse did not make a mistake. He is Australia's goalkeeper for the years to come.

Peter Wilson and Steve O'Connor also had solid games and Wilson played as well as ever he has done in the past.

At full back Con Curran and Paul Degney did not have good

nights. They did not look like the attacking players they are in the PSL.

However it must be said that the Newmarket ground does not suit overlapping defenders as it is narrow and has little space on the flanks.

It was a night when the New Zealand defence dominated. It gave little away.

However, there were two magnificent scoring chances in the first half. Both fell to Mark Jankovic.

But it was one of those nights for the Marconi striker and he missed them both. They proved costly misses.

Jankovic needs a great deal of individual coaching to teach him to steady himself in front of goal and to slot away opportunities when they present themselves.

Joe Watson had a fine game and when he was given the service, he showed he has the skill and ability to shine at this level.

Big Eddie Krccecic was once again a tireless worker and this player is going to be a key man in the 1981 World Cup preliminaries.

The mercurial Peter Sharpe did not have the chance to shine and a heavy tackle early in the game slowed him down.

John Kosmina played in the second half, but must have another run before judgement can be made about him.

New Zealand's winning goal came in the 58th minute when diminutive winger Duncan Ormond blasted the ball home following a mix-up in the Australian defence.

New Zealand may have won the first battle in the campaign that will end in Spain in 1982, but the war is far from over and the Australian blitzkrieg has not even started yet!



New Zealand goalkeeper Richard Wilson takes ball safely, supported by Sam Malcolmson (right). Steve Sumner (7) and Peter Sharpe (9) are also pictured.

Old Kiwis are region's best: coach

AUCKLAND — "We're the best in Oceania — as of now."

That was the boast from ex-ultant New Zealand coach John Adsheard after New Zealand had downed Australia 1-0.

Adsheard made it clear after the Newmarket Park thriller that he will not be pressured into a "youth for the sake of youth" policy for New Zealand.

After watching the game he said, "We're the best in Oceania, as of now. But more important, we've set a standard."

"If any youngsters want to get into this side they've got to attain or better that standard. They've got to prove they are better than what we've already got. The age of the player means nothing, so long as he goes out there and does the job I ask of him. And this lot certainly did that for me."

"They were magnificent. The difference out there was that we

wanted to win and were prepared to work to win. By gosh they wanted to win."

They did that — and it was the blend of experience and youth that Adsheard insists he wants that paved the way for victory. Adsheard's battle plan was to

subdue Australian flank men Peter Sharpe and Joe Watson and to bog down Aussie midfield stars Mark Janovic and Tom Henderson.

Australia set out to subdue 28-year-old Brian Turner in midfield and put the clamps on striker

Keith Nelson, and looked to be getting on top midway through the first half.

But New Zealand rose again as its players, most of them veterans in this sort of arena, realised the game was there for the taking — NZFA.

Williams wing wizard, Rooney turns striker

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Provisional League club Sunbury United was given a taste of the big time by the Victorian State team which agreed to play the first match under the new floodlights at Langama Reserve.

State coach Len McKendry used the match as preparation for Victoria's clash with Partizan Belgrade on Sunday.

Although Victoria should have scored more goals against the composite opposition, McKendry has many reasons to be pleased with the spar.

There was, for example, the dashing performance of Slovenia winger Jim Williams who stood in for missing Tommy Cumming.

Williams, along with Jim Tansey and Jimmy Rooney, dominated the left flank down which Victoria launched most of its attacks.

Tansey's form was once again sound. Surely he deserves to be in



Jim Williams

the national team. Col Curran can't stay there for the big games to come, so it would be sensible to shift Paul Degney to the right and slot Tansey in as left back.

Rooney made nonsense of recent claims that he is unadventurous and always stays behind the ball.

He became a fourth striker in the second half and scored two goals — the first after a weaving run along the line from the right corner, and the second an opportunistic goal, finishing off a header by Carl Gilder.

Alan Davidson was again tremendous in midfield.

He has the vim and vigour of youth, an insatiable appetite for work and enthusiasm that rubs off on his team mates.

But he also has the impetuosity of youth. With less haste and more thought, he would have scored two goals instead of blasting the ball towards the stars.

Joe Piccione, back in State colors after some time had a disastrous start in which everything went wrong for him, but then went from strength to strength.

Piccione provides the surprise element in the team. He is the one who plays the unexpected pass, the one with the skill to wriggle through the tightest situation, the one who gives the team a dimension it would not otherwise have.

Charlie Yankos, of Heidelberg's Second Division team, was used at right back in place of injured Steve Short. His support for men in front of him was excellent. At 18, Yankos can go a long way. Steve Kokoska and John Yzen-

SUNBURY UNITED 0 VICTORIA 4 (Cole penalty 35th, Gilder 43rd, Rooney 58th & 60th) at Langama Reserve, Sunbury — practice match. Crowd about 400.

SUNBURY: Mick Borg (Glen Hopkins) — Alan Jones (Colin Haynes), Franz Berens, Alan Blakeley, George Train — Ray Evans (Bobby Sexton), Stuart Cannell, Trevor Campbell (Danny Oluka) — Martin Brooks (Tommy Short), Steve Carr (Willie Coulson), Roy Collins (Nat Little).

VICTORIA: Peter Laumets — Charlie Yankos, Steve Kokoska, John Yzenodoorn, Jim Tansey — Alan Davidson, Joe Piccione (John Gardiner 75th), Jimmy Rooney — Carl Gilder, Gary Cole (Jamie Paton 62nd), Jim Williams.

doorn were safe and sound in defence, as usual and goalkeeper Peter Laumets was flawless the few times he was forced into action.

Up front, Gilder and Gary Cole found themselves almost over-worked by the volume of service from midfield but were foiled in the first half by Mick Borg's excellent goalkeeping, a few timely clearances by Alan Blakeley and some decisive tackles by George Train, the Altona star who was among the guests in Sunbury's team.

Other guest players were Willie Coulson (Frankston), Steve Carr (Ajax), Stuart Cannell and Nat Little (Altona).

Carr presented problems to the Victorian defence in the first half and Cannell was excellent throughout the match playing in midfield in the first half and at centre back after the break.

Cannell, a big, tough, determined player, joined Altona only a few weeks ago from English club Doncaster Rovers. He should be a big hit in the State League.

Here's how the game went:

15th. min: A long ball finds Gilder who gets past defenders on his way to goal but Mick Borg anticipates the danger and comes out to block Gilder.

17th. A short, hurried clearance by Yankos lands at the feet of Cannell. A goal seems certain but Cannell misses from 15 metres.

19th. Borg saves Sunbury

again by coming right to the corner of the penalty area to smother Williams.

21st. Piccione rams a clearance back towards goal, past Mick Borg but Blakeley is there to head off the line.

25th. Cole jumps to slip a knee-high ball past Borg but it rolls wide of the post.

27th. A free kick by Cannell is made twice as dangerous by a deflection but Laumets stops it with an excellent save.

30th. Cole storms away on a through ball from Rooney — the type of ball the big striker thrives on. However, George Train runs him down and robs Cole with a clean tackle from behind.

35th. Referee Bob Hanerson awards Victoria a penalty for handball and Cole scores from the spot. 1-0.

43rd: Rooney plays the ball forward and Franz Berens tries to turn it back to goalkeeper Borg. However, Gilder nips in, gets to it first and puts it in from close range 2-0. Half time.

58th: Rooney takes the ball in along the goal line, past Colin Haynes, steps wide to give himself a better angle and smashes the ball home low at the near post. 3-0.

60th: Williams sends over one of his many fine crosses and Gilder heads it down at the far post to Rooney, who taps it over the line. 4-0.

80th: Rooney cuts the ball back to Gilder whose shot hits the post.

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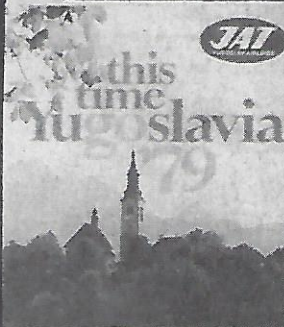
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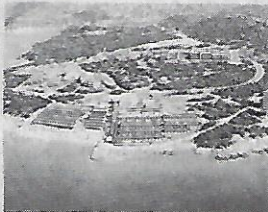
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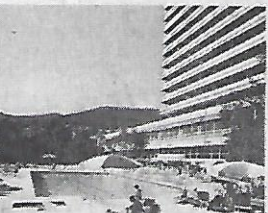
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Stojkovic leads Belgrade



Partisan captain Nenad Stojkovic finds space in the opponents goal area to score with a low shot. The game was played at Partisan's stadium in Belgrade. Stojkovic represented Yugoslavia 11 times.



Three of Partisan Belgrade's all-time great players - Zebec (left), Calkovski (centre) and Bobek, Bobek toured Australia as coach of Vardar Skopje last year.

Guess mystery man and win a ticket!

If you can remember the player who scored Victoria's first goal against the touring Norwich City last month, you're in the running to win a free ticket to the Vics game against Partizan Belgrade this Sunday.

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Some clues on the mystery player's identity - he's a midfielder and plays with Croydon City in the Victorian State League.

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Dzevad Prekazi

Borislav Djurovic

Meet the

Rade ZALAD: Born 1958, goalkeeper. Came up through the junior ranks, under the watchful eye of coach Mateka Lo. Took over in first team when Borota went to Chelsea. Specialises in saving penalties.

Borislav DUROVIC: Born 1950. Left full back. Has been at Partizan since transferring from Sutjeska in 1972. Capped four times for the Yugoslav International side at senior level.

Vlada LAZICIC: Born 1959. Right full-back. Like Zalad he came up through the juniors and is now an established first team regular.

Refik KOSIC: Born 1955.

Left midfielder. Established first team member, with over 134 appearances to his credit. Came to Partizan from budonost of Pec.

Nenad STOJKOVIC, team captain, born 1953. Stopper centre-half. Since 1977 has made the Yugoslav national centre-half position his own, being capped 24 times to date. 1978 Yugoslav Player of the year.

Tomaslav KUNOVAC: Born 1954. Right midfielder. Another fine Partizan junior product who has already been capped at International "B" level.

Nikitsa KLINCARSKI: Born 1954. Right winger. One of the most experienced players in the club. At the age of 17 he was snapped up by Partizan after outstanding displays with Males. Has been a first team regular ever since, being capped at youth level, and seems certain to break into the senior Yugoslav national side soon.

Zvonko VARGA: Born 1960. Another rising midfielder star.

Golden era saw three title wins

FK Partizan was founded on October 4, 1945 and is an integral part of the Yugoslav Sports Society "Partizan", which is the largest collective body in Yugoslavia. It is made up of 22 clubs with over 4,000 active sports people.

The soccer club "Partizan" was Yugoslav champion in 1946/47, 1948/49, 1960/61, 1961/62, 1962/63, 1964/65, 1975/76 and 1977/78.

The golden years of Partizan were 1960 to 1963 when it won the national championship three times running. FK Partizan won the Yugoslav Cup in 1947, 1952, 1954 and 1957.

Competing in the European Cup of 1965/66 it had wins over Nantes, Vardar, Sparta and Manchester, gaining a place in the final of the largest club competition, where it lost the final 1-2 against Real Madrid.

On the international scene Partizan was a guest on every continent, competing with the most well-known clubs of South America, Europe, Asia and Africa, and recording many wins. Mentioning only a few, Partizan defeated the Austrian team Rapid in 1948 2-1, Austria - Wien 4-3, on a tour of Sweden in 1949 they defeated Norrkoping 4-0, Goteborg 7-3, Malmoe, and a representative team from North Sweden 2-1.

In 1953, Partizan defeated Panathinaikos in Athens 1-0, Olimpiakos 3-1, representative team from the City of Cairo 4-1, representative team from Alexandria 4-1.

In 1954, they played in Santiago and Montevideo, defeating Colo Colo 8-4 and Penarol 1-1. That same year they played Honved Budapest in Beograd 3-2, Reims 1-0 and Racing from Paris 1-0.

In 1960 on a tour of Israel Partizan beat Israel 2-1, Hapoel (Tel Aviv) 3-2 and Hapoel (Haifa) 5-2.

At an international competition in Casablanca in 1963 for the Muhammed V Cup they defeated Monaco 9-5 and Real from Saragos 4-2, winning first place and the following year gaining second place.

In 1971 at an international competition in Botola Partizan had wins against Milonaires 2-1, Santa Fe 3-1 and Botafogo 1-0, thus gaining first place.

In 1972 at An International competition in Casablanca for the Muhammed V cup, Partizan beat Setat 3-0 and lost to Bayern Munich 2-3.

In 1973 at a competition in Madrid Partizan beat Atletico Madrid 1-0 and lost to Milan 1-2.

In 1975 at an international competition in Ajaccio Partizan beat Servette (Geneva) 3-1 and Algeria 5-1 to gain first place.

In 1976 at a competition in Spain Partizan beat Huelva 4-1 and drew with Atletico Madrid 1-1 (after penalties) to gain first place.

In 1978 at a competition in Split, Partizan beat Lozana 3-0 and drew with Hajduk to win first place. Partizan won the Middle European Cup for 1978, defeating Honved of Budapest 1-0.

BULJEVIC LEADING

Appearances and goals for Victor since the start of 1970.

APPEARANCES

22. Branko Buljevic (Goals & H'berg).

20. Jack Reilly (Juve. Hak & Sth. Melb & H'berg).

19. Billy Vojtek (Croatia, Juve, Ajax), Jimmy Mackay (Croatia, Sth. Melb.).

15. Mike Pye (Ring. & Sth Melb).

14. Alistair Scott (Melb).

13. Sandy Irvine (Juve., Fston, Mor-Fal).

12. Frank Mlic (Goals, Sth. Melb).

11. Fabian Juhasz (Melb), Peter Bourne (Sth. Melb), Jim Tansey (Slavia & H'berg).

10. Jim Kondarios (Croatia, Austria, Goals), John Gardiner (Geo Cross, Sth Melb, Croatia).

9. Slobodan Zoraja (Goals), Marjan Lopatic (Goals & Fston), Johnny Wallace (Melb., Hak. & Croatia APLA).

8. Doug Utjesenovic (Goals, St. George), George Kinnell (Juve. Marconi, West Subs), Jack Goodwin (Slavia, Juve., Austria), Peter Oller-

ton (Ring, APLA, Sth Melb, Marconi, Goals).

7. Ian Marshall (Sth Melb, Juve), Steve Walker (Sth Melb, Juve).

SCORES

6. Buljevic

4. Vojtek

2. Mackay, Ulysses Kokinos (Sth Melb), H'berg, West Subs), Joe Cunningham (Geo Cross), Mlic,

1. Oller-ton, Mendo Ristovski (Goals), John Bernard (Sun, Mak. Geo Cross), John Howie (Slavia, Geo Cross), Jim Armstrong (Sth Melb Hak., Juve), Mike Micevski (Altona Hak., Marconi, H'berg), Joe Cunningham (Geo Cross), Mlic,

Mirko Rujevic (Goals), Irvine, Marshall, Jim Smart (Lions, Geo Cross, Juve, D'rongl), Utjesenovic, Zoraja, Wallace, Lopatic, Billy Rogers (Sun, Melb, Aub, PAIA, Sth Melb), Mike Clary (Hak., M'bank), Dave Gorrie (Sth Melb, Juve, Brighton), Bruce Roberts (Altona Hak.), Dave Baker (Hak.), Billy McClymont (Mak), Tommy Cumming (Sun., Croatia), Steve Short (Slavia, Croatia).

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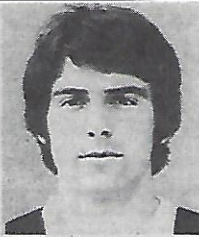


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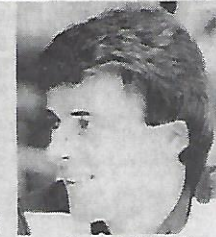
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Slobodan SANTRAC: Born 1947. Striker. Easily the most experienced player with Partizan. Started his career with uducnost, transferred to F.K. Belgrade in 1964, staying with that club until 1975. During his stay with F.K. he topped the First Division goalscorers no less than 16 times. His 215 goals (60 more than his nearest rival), stand as an alltime Yugoslav league record. In 1975, Santrac left Yugoslavia to play for two seasons for the famous rasshoppers club of Zurich in Switzerland. He was recalled by F.K. in 1977 and helped them to avoid relegation. In 1978 he joined Partizan and won a championship medal that season. One of Yugoslavia's alltime greats.

Andrej TODOROVIC: Born 1957. Left midfielder. Another illful product of Partizan's nior nursery, who has already been capped at youth level.

Dzevad PREKAZI: Born

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John Yzendoorn (left) surveys the scene with Jim Tansey in the Victorian defence.

1960. Left winger. Promising young player who came to Partizan from Trepcе of Kosovski. Capped for Yugoslav youth team.

Other Partizan players include: Hatunic, who is back

from Turkey, Zoran Nikitovic, Tomislav Kovacevic, Sead Masic, Aca Trifunovic, Milovan Jovic, Zvonko Zivkovic, Miodrag Radovic, Stevo Tomasevic, Nebojsa Milicic, Gojko Pivljakovic, Slobodan Favrovic.

A TEST FOR SOCCEROOS

Partizan's matches in Australia:

Sunday, June 24, 3pm: v Victoria at Olympic Park. Wednesday, June 27, 8 pm: v South Australia, Hindmarsh Stadium. Friday, June 29, 7 pm v Australian XI, International Sports Centre, Newcastle.

Sunday, July 1, 3 pm: v Australian XI, Sydney Sports Ground.



VICS LUCKY THIS TIME?

Short may miss Partizan clash

FK Partizan of Belgrade starts its Australian tour in Melbourne on Sunday, and Len McKendry's men are hoping it will be third time lucky.

This will be Victoria's third match under McKendry against overseas opposition.

The Vics came so close to victory in the other two matches — losing 0-1 to Wisla Krakow and 2-4 to Norwich City after leading by two goals.

In between, Victoria beat South Australia 2-0 in Adelaide. There are no changes to the Victorian squad that lost to Norwich.

However, defender Steve Short's availability depends on his recovery from recent injuries. The Victorian squad is:

YAKKA BANOVIC, goalkeeper, Heidelberg United, bought for a big fee from Essendon Croatia. Previously played for Croatia Adelaide and Croatia Whyalla and was on trial with Metros Croatia in Canada. State appearances: 3.

STEVE SHORT, full back or centre back, Essendon Croatia, transferred this year from Slavia. Was with Everton and a district Liverpool team before coming to Australia. State appearances: 2, goals: one.

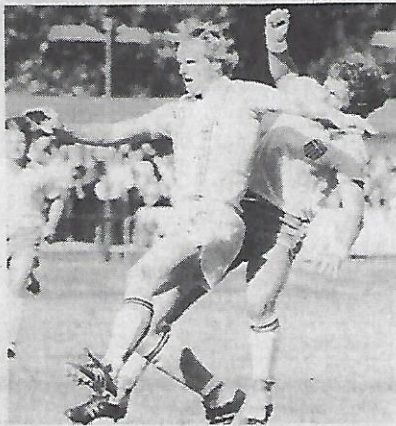
STEVE KOKOSKA, centre back, Essendon Croatia, bought from Sunshine City in 1977. Played for Australia against Greece last year. State appearances: 5.

JOHN YZENDOORN, sweeper, Heidelberg Utd., switched from Slavia together with State striker Jamie Paton recently. Played for Preston North End in England. Has had national team trials. State appearances: 3.

JIM TANSEY, left back, Heidelberg United, switched from Slavia in 1977. Won Victorian Rothmans Medal in 1976. Played for South Liverpool in England. Represented Australia 18 times, including seven full internationals. State appearances: 11.

ALAN DAVIDSON, midfielder or full back, South Melbourne, joined the PSL club this year from State League club Altona City where he played his junior soccer. Was in Australia's under 19 team for the world youth championship qualifying games in New Zealand late last year and Paraguay early this year. State appearances: one.

JOE TRONT, midfielder, Croydon City, played for Forfar Athletic in Scotland before coming to Melbourne to join Mooroolbark in 1976. Transferred to Heidelberg Utd. in 1978 and switched to



Gary Cole (left) comes in for some close attention from Stuart Baxter of South Melbourne.

Croydon later the same year. State appearances: 5, goals: 2.

JIMMY ROONEY, midfielder, Heidelberg Utd., transferred for \$10,000 from Marconi late last year. Was Australian Player of the Year in 1977, the first season of the PSL. Played for Lions (Vic), Prague and APIA before joining Marconi. Was with Peterborough in England and Montrose in Scotland. Played 84 games for Australia, including 45 internationals. State appearances: 6.

JOHN GARDINER, midfielder, Essendon Croatia, played for George Cross for many years before joining Croatia which was then in the First Division. Had a stint with South Melbourne before returning to Croatia. Won the Victorian Rothmans Medal in

1971 and 1972. State appearances: 10.

TOMMY CUMMING, forward, Essendon Croatia, 1978 Victorian Rothmans Medalist who joined Croatia from Sunshine City. Had a national team trial recently and was Victoria's best player against Norwich this year and Dundee last year. State appearances: 6, goals: one.

JAMIE PATON, striker,



Alan Davidson

Heidelberg Utd., switched from Slavia recently, has scored 41 goals in 47 games in Australia since arriving in early 1978 from Scottish club Queen's Park. State appearances: 3.

GARY COLE, striker, Heidelberg Utd., played for Australia against Greece last year. Was with South Yarra and Ringwood City before joining Heidelberg in 1976. Was PSL top scorer on aggregate at the end of the 1978 season. State appearances: 5.

CARL GILDER, striker, Essendon Croatia, switched from Slavia last year and has been one of the State League's top scorers since the start of the 1979 season. Played for Cambridge Utd in



Len McKendry

England. State appearances: 4.

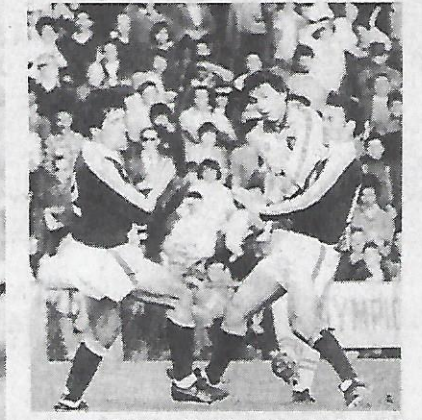
JIM WILLIAMS, winger, Slavia, played for South Liverpool in England before coming to Australia in 1977. State appearances: nil.

PETER LAUMETS, goalkeeper, South Melbourne, transferred from Makedonia for \$15,000 late last year. Was with Altona City before that. Played for Australia against Greece last year. State appearances: 3.

JOE PICIOANE, midfielder, Footscray JUST, played for Australia against Greece last year and against Wisla Krakow in early 1979. One of the most skilful players in Australia and currently top scorer of JUST. State appearances: one.



Joe Picioane



Jimmy Rooney (right) pressures Norwich City's Martin Peters, aided by Steve Short (left)

VICTORIA (likely line up)

Yakka
23. BANOVIC

Steve 2. SHORT 5. KOKOSKA 4. YZENDOORN 3. TANSEY

Alan 6. DAVIDSON Joe 7. TRONT Jimmy 8. ROONEY

Tommy 11. CUMMING Carl 9. GILDER Jamie 14. PATON

Reserves— 12 Jim Williams, 10 Joe Picioane, 13 John Gardiner, 15 Gary Cole, 1 Peter Laumets

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FRANKSTON 4 ALTONA 3

Scorers: Frankston - Peters (2) 35th, 74th, E. Bannan (2 pens) 66th, 71st. Altona - Crow 2nd, Taylor 12th, N. Little 38th. Ground: Centenary Park.

FRANKSTON CITY: Petersen - V. Bannan, McClusky, Adams, T. Young, G. Bannan, E. Bannan, Peters - B. Young, Swincoe, Mitten.

ALTONA CITY: van der Poel - Lewis, Murray (sent off 76th), Gramsbergen, Hird - Banagan (N. Little), Canell, Whyte - Crow, Taylor, G. Train.

Frankston is undefeated in 10 games, a remarkable achievement considering Essendon Croatia's longest unbeaten run last season on the way to the championship was eight games.

Altona jumped Frankston with goals from Robin Crow and Bob Taylor, which came about due to the squareness of the Frankston defence. Altona played some good attacking soccer, and had several more good chances to score.

Tragedy struck when goalkeeper Hans van der Poel fumbled a corner and Martin Peters scored in the 35th minute.

However, after the enterprising first half, things turned sour for Altona. In the space of five minutes referee Jim Dixon awarded two penalties to Frankston, both of which were converted by Eamon Bannan.

The first spot kick came when Peters was brought down, and the second when Peter Lewis sent Eamon Bannan flying.

Worse was to follow for Altona as defender Keith Murray was sent off for showing dissent. Down 2-3, Altona couldn't fight back.

Peters added a fourth goal, and Frankston was in command. Peters' vision and the dynamic play of Eamon Bannan gave Frankston the midfield.

Altona salvaged a late goal when substitute Nat Little rammed home a cut back by Taylor.

Carr to quit Ajax?

GEORGE CROSS 1 GREEN GULLY 1

Scorers: Barnard 87th, Carr 81st. Ground: Olympic Park. Referee: Mike Gaur. Cautions: Hooper, Castiello.

GEORGE CROSS: Mattson, Hooper, Castiello, Maitland, Barron, Barnard, Hiffud, Wilson, Thom, Cowan, Paparaz.

GREEN GULLY: Denys, Donaldson, Cain, Klerin (Patten 46th) Crilly, Vassallo, Thomson (Hogben 87th) Vojtek, Pavlekov, Carr, Perkin.

Unsettled striker Steve Carr salvaged a draw for Green Gully with some great control late in the match.

Billy Vojtek started the move deep in the midfield, and in a long may run left three George Cross players behind him. Carr opened up to receive through ball and then in flash he went around Maitland and Mattson to plant the ball in the net.

SLAVIA 1 ALBION 3

Scorers: Albion - McNeil 5th, Wark 65th, D Sylva 74th. Slavia - Griffiths 82nd. Ground: Showgrounds.

PRAMRAN SLAVIA: McPherson - Thompson, Westoby, Lawson, Wade - Bendie, Kinser, Monaghan - Aldridge, Griffiths, Williams.

ALBION ROVERS: Johnson - McLeod, Nisbet, Blair, Thompson - Greenan, Wark, D Sylva - McNeil, McCormack, Stewart.

Pramran Slavia will face with Albion Rovers at Selwyn Park this Saturday in an attempt to rekindle the team's 'killer' streak when the State League resumes.

The re-match was arranged by coaches Bill McArthur and Harry Chalkidis because of the break in the league programme due to the international between Victoria and Partizan Belgrade.

In the friendly, Slavia will experiment in attack to solve a goalscoring problem. One move will be Brian Monaghan going to centre forward.

Slavia's lack of goalscoring, and Al-

Carr is one of two players who want to leave Green Gully. The other is veteran midfielder Ian McCarthy who walked out on the players' meeting with coach Billy Vojtek and president Guy Spiteri in midweek.

Carr has claimed there is a lack of team spirit in the side and has threatened to stay out of the game unless the club grant him a transfer.

Apart from these problems, Gully also started without John Patten who arrived during the first half due to car trouble.

Leo Thompson was in the starting lineup for the first time this season but his lack of match fitness prevented him from finishing the game.

By contrast George Cross made no changes from the previous week despite having Phil Cutajar available for selection after serving a one-match suspension.

Suez Matsson played well and lady luck did not desert him for he was saved twice by the woodwork.

For Gully Denys also had a good day.

Albion's economical use of chances saw the Rovers take two valuable points and send Slavia to the bottom.

Albion defended for long periods, but struck several killer blows. Dave McNeil scored early in the game and helped by errors from goalkeeper Alex McPherson, Rovers stormed to a 3-0 lead.

Alex Wark chipped in a 30-yard free kick with McPherson stranded off his line. Mick D Sylva made a fine solo run downfield, but when McPherson prematurely rushed out of goal, the young Albion star had little trouble scoring.

Slavia applied great pressure, but with Bill Johnson in fine form, and the composed defensive work of Bobby Nisbet and Steve Blair, Albion held firm.

Dave Griffith scored his first goal for Slavia after good work by Paul Wade and Brian Monaghan, but by then the game was all over.

Billy McIntyre was unavailable for Albion, and Jim Train injured for Slavia.

Best players were D Sylva, Johnson (Albion). Wade, Jim Williams and Billy Brindle (Slavia).

and to their credit Cross also grazed the bar.

Both sets of defences took a while to settle and both goals were threatened early on.

Denys saved two shots in quick succession - the second from point blank range by Thom - in the first minute, while at the other end David Perkin intercepted Hooper's back pass but slipped as he crossed and the danger evaporated.

Perkin - a prominent player throughout the match - was the first to hit the cross bar. His effort came direct from a corner kick in the 19th minute. The ball rebounded out and was clambered to safety.

But Gully came even closer in the 7th minute when a deceiving Joe Pavlekov shot from 30 metres was fumbled and scooped out of goal by Mattson. The Gully players claimed the ball had gone over the line, and most observers would tend to agree, but the linesman would have none of the argument and waved play on.

Cross retaliated with a move involving Barnard and Wilson which finished with the latter making the vital cross but Tony Cowan's header lacked direction.

After 32 minutes it was Cowan's turn to swing a cross into the area and this time Paparaz headed over from an ideal position in the six yard box.

After the restart Denys made saves off Wilson and Barnard before Gully took the upper hand.

Pavlekov hit the cross bar with his half volley from Carr's cross, while Vojtek and Carr brought saves off Mattson.

George Cross contribution to the goalpost drama came 18 minutes from the end when a Jim Paparaz shot beat Denys, but shaved the outside of the cross bar.

Cross scored their goal after 78 minutes when Barnard planted the ball into the net with a firm header from Honner's cross.

But their joy was short lived as Carr levelled the score three minutes later. Before the end Denys made a great save touching Wilson's splinter over the bar.

Gully have now taken seven points and are still unbeaten. If they could maintain the same form at home they'd be challenging the leaders by now.

PETER DESIRA

- VICTORIAN STATE LEAGUE ROUND UP

with Kyle Patterson

Croatia re-signs star

After failing to find a new club, transfer-listed John Gardiner has returned to Essendon Croatia.

Gardiner has been out of club soccer since February, and with the transfer deadline fast approaching, has compromised with Croatia and will resume playing.

Gardiner was put on the transfer list early in the season because of misconduct. The Croatia committee was reported to be angry with Gardiner after he had negotiated with Preston Makedonia without Croatia's knowledge.

But the Makedonia deal fell through for Gardiner, as did three other proposed transfers. Last week Gardiner negotiated with

Croatia and a settlement agreed to.

Gardiner is a former coach of Essendon Croatia, and has cost the club in the region of \$12,000 in transfer fees.

He moved from George Cross to Essendon for \$5,000 in 1976, and later re-joined the club from South Melbourne for around \$7,000.

Gardiner has been taken off the transfer list, and Croatia will now exercise its option of extending his contract. "Hopefully, the problems of the past will be forgotten."

During the Ampol Cup, Makedonia offered \$4,000 plus striker

Paul Hallam or \$5,000 cash for Gardiner.

Later a swap deal involving John Barnard and Gardiner was proposed by Makedonia, but rejected by Croatia.

Juventus made an offer in the region of \$3,500, but couldn't come to agreement with Gardiner over terms.

Springvale City of the First Division bid around \$4,000, but again Gardiner didn't come to agreement over terms.

Croydon City was reported to have suggested a straight swap involving Pat Lowrey in exchange for Gardiner.

Gardiner, a midfielder/defender, is currently in the Victorian team.

HAKOAH 1 JUVENTUS 2

Scorers: Juventus - Sabidussi (2) 45th, 85th. Hakoah - Loh 61st. Ground: Middle Park.

HAKOAH ST. KILDA: O'Hara - Edmondson injured (Owen), Dosen, Baker, Rakovalis - Gadsby, Blair, Gibson - Rooney, Carpenter (Micic), Loh.

JUVENTUS: Reilly - Sabidussi, Della, Vaughan, Tarquinio - Smith, C. Lucchesi, Sabidussi - McGuinness, Gillan, Heery.

After pestering the club, striker George Gillan finally got the all-clear from Juventus to make a comeback against Hakoah.

Gillan, who fractured his skull six weeks ago, resumed playing after a quick recovery. But Juventus was not to sure Gillan was ready, and to safeguard the club's

interests Gillan signed a declaration that he would not hold the club responsible for any further injury related to the initial injury.

Joining Gillan in the comeback arena was Frank Micic, who appeared as a substitute in his first senior match this season. It was 20 years ago that Micic first appeared in a Victorian soccer match.

Micic's legs may be a little slower, but his feet are as itchy as they have been since he retired at Footscray in 1977. He was forced into action because of injury to Dave Rigby, Bill Jordanou, Graham French, Garry Edmondson and Colin Allison.

Juventus and Hakoah battled out an interesting duel, but in the end it was the goals of Bruno

Sabidussi which clinched two points. Sabidussi worked his way into good positions to capitalise on two crosses. Full back Nick Rakovalis is at fault for failing to pick up the Juve player.

Michael Loh scored for Hakoah in the 60th minute, equalising the scores but Sabidussi got a winner in the last five minutes.

Hakoah was forced to switch Steve Gadsby to midfield, and draft in David Baker to sweeper. Edmondson left the field after three minutes, and was replaced by Les Owens.

The changes upset Hakoah, and while the St Kilda club had plenty of the ball, it couldn't turn good play into goals.

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**CROATIA 1
MAKEDONIA 2**
Scorers: Makedonia — Ward 9th, Cullen 13th, Croatia — Gilder 41st.
Ground: Olympic Park No. 2.
Crowd: Est 5000.
Weather: Overcast and windy.
Referee: Marek Momont 6.
Cautions: Rainey (M); Murphy (C), Bivolar (C), Cullen (M).

ESSENDON CROATIA: Blasby 5 — Smart 5 (Paleka 68th min), Short 5, Kokoska 5, Bivolar 4 — Adams 5 (Gardiner 6, 54th min), Andrews 6.5, Murphy 6 — Cumming 5.5, Gilder 6.5, Cullen 7.
PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Clayton 7 — Rainey 5.5, Garthwaite 6.5, Higham 6, Bivolar 6.5 — Flavell 6, Lesbrier 6, Petrovski 8 — Cullen 7, McMillan 6, Ward 6.5.

John Gardner is likely to return to his domain as the general of Essendon Croatia after the team's disastrous performance against arch rival Preston Makedonia.

Coach Brian Edgley hinted that he would bring Gardner back into the Croatia team as sweeper and switch Steve Short to midfield.

Gardner, who only last week settled his differences with Croatia (see separate story), was the sweeper and the triumphant 1978 Croatia team which won three trophies.

After its performance against Makedonia, Croatia will need more than the inclusion of Gardner to retain the State League championship. The Essendon team had many players down on form and by the club's standards the display was woeful.

Branko Culina is the only Essendon player who can hold his head high.

Croatia is now five points behind leader Frankston City, and will have to go flat out to bridge that gap.

Preston Makedonia recovered its lost pride with the victory, but is in the same boat as Croatia, as it trails Frankston by five points.

Although the game was a very average event, Makedonia showed character to bounce back after a demoralising defeat last week to stay in contention for the championship.

Makedonia's star was Ljube Petrovski, who had a fine game in midfield. It's ironic that Petrovski wouldn't have played if Jeff Faulkner was fit, but now long-striding linkman has staked a claim for a permanent place.

As expected, strikers Gary Ward and Robert Cullen were Preston's strength. The fact these two scored the important goals backs up that statement.

These two players were able to exploit weaknesses in the Croatia full backs Grant Smart and Ante Bivolar.

Credit must go to George McMillan, who took the field after having pain-killing injections in his knee. The dynamic striker's presence was enough to worry Croatia and although McMillan contributed not a great deal the physiological advantage to Preston was great.

McMillan at least occupied an opponent throughout the game and was a constant worry to Croatia.

The crowd of 5000 was well-behaved, but subdued because of the lack of action on the field. After the first 15 minutes when Makedonia scored two goals, the game was a poor spectacle.

CROYDON 3 SUNSHINE 1

Scorers: Croydon — McKinnay 40th, Trent 63rd, Spink 83rd. Sunshine — R. Nelson 89th.

Ground: Croydon Park.
CROYDON CITY: Edwards — Spink, McCombe, Pongho, Hobson — Trent, Smith — McKinlay, Brogkan, Hamilton, Wyllie.

SUNSHINE CITY: Clarke — Dixey, Lowe, Morovic (Paisley), Howe — Coyle, R. Nelson, McRobert — Laing (Mussel half time), Gilmore, D. Nelson.

Croydon City coach Norm Hobson has been rewarded for being patient. Croydon has now gone four games without defeat with virtually the same players and formation that didn't bring results at the start of the season.

The defence of Jimmy Spink, Steve McCombe, Alan Pongho and Gary Hobson is now playing confidently after being the cause of so much trouble earlier in the season. These four players have been together for a dozen games, and have shaken off a slump.

Hobson's only significant move was to push an extra man into the forward line. That was Dave Brogan, who went to central striker from midfield.

Croydon's men are playing with enthusiasm again, with the exception of Pat Lowrey, who was

Juve misses Watkins

Star imports Mick Watkins and Stefano Tucci will not join Juventus this season, but should be here for the 1980 season.

Juventus shelved plans to bring out the pair when it learned they would be available for only a quarter of the season. Hassles with the Immigration Department were partly the cause of the delay.

Watkins, winner of the 1977 Bill Fleming Medal, left Juventus at the end of last season and returned to England.

Tucci, a midfielder, is with giant Italian club AS Roma. Juventus secretary Rocco Di Zio is confident both will be here for next season.



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INJURIES HIT KB'S RUN TO THE TOP

By JACK MATHEWS

There is no way in the world that Alan Vest, the highly-skilled and urbane manager-coach of Newcastle KB United would ignore a friendly greeting.

Yet he could scarcely be blamed if he turned his back. He can be excused for thinking that fate is malign and the world against him.

There can be few coaches, not only in the Philips League but in all grades of soccer in Australia, who have had players so rudely swept aside as has Vest in recent weeks — and all because of a crop of injuries to star players suffered in the heat of battle.

The injury list hangs over Newcastle KB United like some kind of storm cloud.

It is not known at the time of writing just who Vest will be able to call on for the important match against West Adelaide at the Newcastle International Sports Centre on Saturday.

Bill Summerscales, the highly-capable hub of KB United's defence had not missed a match in two seasons so durable is he, until last week. But he is in doubt because of a somewhat severe back injury, the price he paid when scoring a fine goal against St George at Newcastle a fortnight ago. And no team can be at its best without a player of his worth.

Graham Heys, the elusive and goal-scoring right-winger, has a shin injury which has given cause for much concern. It is not known when it might hamper and hobble him again.

Arno Bertogno is stoically bearing a hamstring injury and Ian Seddon has Achilles tendon worries.

Jimmy Preston, the Scot who has become something of a goalkeeper sensation has a hand injury which cannot be lightly laughed aside.

Alan Vest is as confident as ever and adamant in his belief that his team will take a strong hand in the destination of the league championship and in the League Cup in which KB United has reached the semi-final round.

There is, happily, one bright spot. Much is expected of Kevan Keelan who gained his registration late last week. This Englishman who scored and who made a big impression on Vest is said to be a striker of rare penetrative ability.

If he is, there is trouble ahead for opposing teams. Vest is likely

Rugby men are KB's advisors

ONE facet of the sound administrative thinking on the needs of Newcastle KB Utd. is shown by the constitution of the Finance Advisor Board.

It is comprised of businessmen of proven capabilities but who are not necessarily followers of soccer. As an instance, two of its members are firmly affiliated with Rugby Union. This Board's chairman is the General Manager of NBN's Newcastle's leading television station.

That is not an isolated instance but an indication of the sound footing on which the club is based. Other committees are similarly constituted.

That KB United has been fully accepted by the people, not only of Newcastle and its immediate area but also of the North generally, was clearly demonstrated when, on November 28, 1978, the club was unanimously voted by the Newcastle Businessmen's Club as the company from the region which had done most in

that year to advance and promote the Hunter Valley Region.

The promotion of the City of Newcastle was one of the principles adopted when the club was founded.

The club has its own Marketing and Development Office and a Supporters' Shop. This has been a highly successful venture.

The story of the club's rise goes on and on — and it is one of an undertaking which had its origin in a Vision Splendid which is being realised.

But no one connected with the club is satisfied. There is no standing still.

This could not be more clearly demonstrated than by the directors. They have not only completed a tentative blueprint for next season but are also thinking in terms of 1981.

They were also surprised and delighted at the fine facilities available at the International Sports Centre.

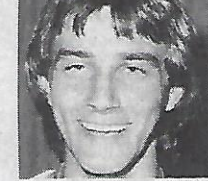
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Charlton a patron

Newcastle always shows considerable enterprise and this was evident when it engaged the famous England and Manchester United player, Bobby Charlton, for a period last season with the object of coaching and promoting the game.

Charlton was a most popular personality — so much so that he is now a Patron of the Club and may make a return visit this season since he, too, 'fell in love' with KB United and what it is doing for the game.

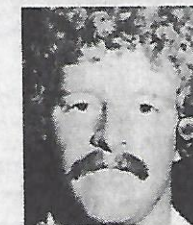
The KB United with the help of Charlton drew an aggregate attendance of 109,675 to its home matches in its first season, an average of 8437 at each fixture. And its loyal supporters boosted considerably the attendance figures at away matches in which KB United figured for the team has a big following wherever it plays.



Bobby Charlton (right) with Paul Degney.



Peter Willis



Roy Drinkwater

Press amazed

The gentlemen of the Press from many centres who attended the club's National Media Presentation on May 23-24 and had not previously been guests of the club were amazed — and that is not too strong a word — at the progress of the club, its standing in the community.

Newcastle has so quickly become the top football code in the North and the certainty of its never-ceasing advance.

They were also surprised and delighted at the fine facilities available at the International Sports Centre.

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Ken Boden (number 9) is left flat-footed as St George's Rudolf Della Picca heads clear.

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This week's match: v **ADELAIDE CITY** at
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